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Births.

HERON.—March 16, at Glenelg, Lewisham, the wife of A. Mayne Heron—a son.

Marriages.

AUSTIN—KENNEDY.—March 21, at the Pro-Cathedral, Hay, by the Bishop of Riverina, assisted by the Rev. F. Witherby, Austin W. Austin, Lake Midgeon, Narrandera, only son of W. Austin, Canoon, N.S.W., to Marian Madaline, only daughter of John W. Kennedy, F.R.C.A.I., &c., Hay, N.S.W.

HOPE—WAUGH.—April 22, at the Manse, Neutral Bay, by the Rev. Robert Waugh, M.A., cousin of the bride and bridegroom, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Kinross, D.D., Principal St. Andrew's College, W. W. Hope, M.B., of Cobar, son of the late George and Mrs. Hope, of Darraweit, Vic., to M. I. Waugh, only daughter of the late J. W. and M. L. Waugh.

Deaths.

BARTON.—April 23, at 6 Milton-terrace, Hereford-street, Glebe Point, Alice Anne Neilson Barton, widow of the late Henry William Barton, late of Moruya, aged 57.

CLARKE.—April 23, at her residence, Mudgee, Annie, the beloved wife of Edward Clarke, solicitor, aged 73.

CREBER.—April 22, William Charles Joseph Creber, eldest son of William Creber, of 110 Macquarie-street South, who was accidentally drowned on Sunday.

JOSEPH.—April 25, suddenly, at his residence, Glen Villa, Tamworth, Solomon Joseph, aged 66 years. See funeral notice.

KELL.—April 25, at his parents' residence, Westmead, Gladstone Arnold, dearly beloved son of John and Louisa Kell, aged 2 years and 11 months.

MORRIS.—April 25, 1900, at Mon Repos, Strathfield, the residence of his daughters, William Morris, Rector of Christ Church, Bundaberg, Queensland, in his 70th year.

NELSON.—April 20, at the residence of her son-in-law, J. D. Catton, Armidale, M. A. Nelson. Interred at Rookwood.

SMITH.—At her residence, Rose Cottage, Gipps-street, Dubbo, Catherine, the beloved wife of John Smith, leaving a large family to mourn her loss, aged 68 years.

In Memoriam.

CANNON.—In sad remembrance of my dear husband, Charles Cannon, who departed this life 26th April, 1899. Inserted by his ever loving wife. Sadly missed and deeply regretted. Mrs. E. Cannon, 12 Bruce-street, Ashfield.

CANNON.—In sad remembrance of my dear father, Charles Cannon, who departed this life 26th April, 1899, aged 65. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving son, George Cannon.

ELPHINSTONE.—In loving remembrance of our dear little one, Ione Edith, who died of acute peritonitis at Fairfield, aged 8 years and 10 months.

FRANKLIN.—In affectionate and deeply regretted memory of my dearly beloved mother, who lost her life in the Bathurst railway accident 25th April, 1890. Beloved by all who knew her. Inserted by her eldest daughter, Mrs. E. Hitchings, Croydon-avenue, Croydon.

HARDY.—In sad but loving memory of dear father George Hardy, who departed this life April 26, 1898.

Sleep, dear father, your task is o'er,
Those loving hands shall toil no more.

Inserted by his wife and children.

SULLIVAN.—In sad memory of my beloved husband and our dear father, Patrick Sullivan, who was accidentally drowned in the sewer at Blackwattle Bay, April 26, 1897. May the Lord have mercy on his soul. Rest in peace. Inserted by his sorrowing wife and his dear children.

SULLIVAN.—In loving memory of our dear father, Patrick Sullivan, who was accidentally drowned in the sewer at Blackwattle Bay April 26th, 1897. Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Daniel and Margaret Sullivan. He is gone, but not forgotten.

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OCEANA	6603	L. H. Crawford, C.B., R.N.R.	June 16
PENINSULAR	5287	W. A. Wheler	June 30
BRITANNIA	6525	F. H. Seymour	July 14
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		1900	1900	1900
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*CUZCO	3918	W. S. Shelford	April 28	May 1	May 3
*ORTONA	8000	Lindsay Hay	May 12	May 15	May 17
ORIZABA	6297	E. E. Lavington	May 26	May 29	May 31
OROYA	6297	R. Fletcher	June 9	June 12	June 14
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S.S. MARAROA, THURSDAY, May 17, at 5 p.m.

For WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, DUNEDIN, and BLUFF, HOBART, and MELBOURNE, transhipping to outports—
S.S. WAIKARE, THURSDAY, May 3, at 5 p.m.
S.S. MOKOIA, TUESDAY, May 15, at 5 p.m.

TASMANIA.

For HOBART DIRECT—
S.S. OONAH, WEDNESDAY, May 2.
From HOBART—
S.S. OONAH, FRIDAY, April 27.

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GLADSTONE	Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., May 1
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ALBANY, FREMANTLE (transhipping for Geraldton)	Gabo, Tuesday, May 15, 5 p.m.
BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, ROCKHAMPTON, BUNDABERG	Burwah, This Day, Thursday, 11 p.m. Peregrine, Sat., April 28, 12 noon. Konoowarra, Tues., May 1, 5 p.m.
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WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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CHAS. SPEER, Secretary.
I.S.N. Co.'s Offices, 23rd March, 1900.

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Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of RICHARD THOMAS HALL, late of Newtown, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, ex-Lighthouse Keeper, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the 5th day of June next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the said Executors. Dated this 25th day of April, 1900. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. ALFRED ROFE and SONS, Proctors for the Executors, Rofe-chambers, 60 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ELIZA JANE M'LEAN, late of Hay-street, Leichhardt, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to DONALD ALLAN M'LEAN, the Husband of the said deceased. And all persons having any debt or claim against the said Estate are hereby required to send in particulars thereof to the undersigned, as it is the intention of the said applicant to apply to the Court to dispense with the usual administration bond. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. FITZHARDINGE, SON, and HOUSTON, Proctors for the Applicant, 62 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM ALEXANDER, late of North Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHRISTINA ALEXANDER, the Executrix named in the said Will. Dated this 25th day of April, 1900. ALFRED ROFE and SONS, Proctors for the Executrix, Rofe-chambers, 60 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JAMES GREENLAND, late of Yellow Rock, in the district of Kiama and colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MICHAEL O'GORMAN and MICHAEL GREENLAND, the Executors therein named, and all notices may be left at the office of the undersigned. KIERAN RYAN, Proctor for the Executors, Kiama. By his Agent, A. WEAVER, 16 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ELLEN BURKE, late of Tamworth, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to AGNES EMILY BURKE, of Tamworth aforesaid, Spinster, the sole Executrix named in the said Will. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. WILLIAM FREDERICK TRIBE, Proctor for the Executrix, Tamworth. Agents, CURTISS and BARRY, 107 King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ALICE ANNE NEILSON BARTON, late of Hereford-street, Glebe, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ANNIE BARTON, a Daughter of the said deceased, and all notices may be served at the above address.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of DAVID BRAHAM, late of King-street, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Tailor, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to THE PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY, Limited, the Executors therein named. NORTON, SMITH, and CO., Proctors, 2 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of EBENEZER JOHN WAKEHAM, late of Windsor-street, Paddington, in the colony of New South Wales, Storeman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ALFRED WAKEHAM and ELIZABETH WAKEHAM, the Executor and Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at 59 Windsor-street, Paddington.

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CITIZENS' VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee undertake to investigate and bring under the immediate notice of the authorities COMPLAINTS as to the INSANITARY or RAT-INFESTED condition of any Premises to which any citizen may direct their attention.

All such communications should be addressed to the Secretaries, at the Town Hall, and will be treated as confidential.

JOHN GARLAND, JOHN J. COHEN } Hon. Secs.

SPECIAL WAR NOTICE.—An Order to Sell to Publishers, Book Depots, &c., &c., &c., of Enterprise.—Messrs. Harrington and Co., Ltd., have been instructed to sell, on behalf of a Photographer in South Africa, FOUR GENUINE PHOTOGRAPHS, and registered copyright, Description of THE BATTLE OF SPIONKOP, the Greatest Battle during the S. African Campaign, showing Spionkop with Boer Fortifications and the British Trenches on the flat, rugged ground; also depicting the gruesome horrors of war immediately after the conflict. Each Photograph measures 8 x 6 inches, is clear in every detail, and should make first-class reproductions. Full particulars from The Editor, Australian Photographic Journal, 66 King-street, Sydney.

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Mr. W. H. Daniell	0	10	0
Mr. J. C. Williamson	2	2	0
Anonymous	1	1	0
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	£73	4	6

C. CECIL GRIFFITHS, Hon. Treasurer.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF ERNEST JONES, Wellington.
A First and Final DIVIDEND at the rate of 6s 1½d (six shillings and one penny half-penny) in the £ in the above Estate is now payable at my office.
Promissory notes must be surrendered.
ALBERT BORCHARD, Incorporated Accountant, Equitable-building, George-street.
Sydney, 25th April, 1900.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF SOB and STRANDT, Storekeepers, Boggy Camp.
All Persons having CLAIMS against this Estate are requested to render particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before FRIDAY, 4th MAY, otherwise they will be excluded from participating in the distribution of the Estate.
STARKEY and STARKEY, Chartered Accountants, 93 York-street.
Sydney, 25th April, 1900.

IN the Assigned Estate of M'ILVRIDE and CO.—A First DIVIDEND of 7s 6d in the £ will be payable at the offices of Mr. F. N. YARWOOD, Public Accountant, 16 O'Connell-street, Sydney, on and after THURSDAY, the 26th April, 1900. C. C. GRIFFITHS, W. H. MURRELL, Trustees.

HANNAN'S BLOCK 45, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS in the abovenamed Company will CLOSE on TUESDAY, May 1, 1900, to ascertain the Names of the Shareholders who are entitled to apply for Shares in the proposed Reconstructed Company.
By order of the Board.
HEDLEY L. TODD, Local Secretary.
Brookman's-building, Adelaide, April 14, 1900.

ALL persons having any CLAIM against the LONDON and AUSTRALASIAN DEBENTURE CORPORATION, Limited, are hereby requested to send in particulars of their claims on or before the second day of May next to the undersigned.
MINTER, SIMPSON, and CO., Solicitors, Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street, Sydney.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP lately subsisting between the undersigned, carrying on business as FOWLER and EDWARDS, at Burwood-road, was, on the 21st April instant, DISSOLVED by mutual consent, and that all debts due and owing to or by the late firm will be received and paid by the undersigned, JAMES BERWICK FOWLER. As witness our hands this 25th day of April, 1900. J. B. FOWLER, T. A. EDWARDS. Witness—W. C. PROCTOR, Solicitor, 30 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

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NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.
NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND (the fourth) of One Shilling per Share has been DECLARED, payable on MONDAY, 28th May, 1900.
Transfer Books will Close for the purpose of such dividend on Monday, 14th May, at 5 o'clock p.m.
By order of the Board,
JOHN POTTS, Manager.
31 Queen-street, Melbourne, 23rd April, 1900.

KOH-I-NOOR G.M. CO., No Liability, Parkes.
NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND (the eighteenth) of Sixpence per Share has this day been declared, payable at the Registered Office of the Company, Lord's-place, Orange, on and after TUESDAY, the first day of May, 1900.
By order of the Board,
W. TANNER, Legal Manager.
Orange, 18th April, 1900.

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Meetings.

CITIZENS' VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.
A MEETING of the GENERAL COMMITTEE will be held TO-NIGHT, at 8, at the TOWN HALL.
Ladies and Gentlemen desirous of joining the Committee are invited to send their names to the undersigned.
JOHN GARLAND, J. J. COHEN } Hon. Secs.
Town Hall.

SYDNEY INDUSTRIAL BLIND INSTITUTION, William-street.
President, the Hon. Mr. Justice Stephen.
The Annual MEETING of this Association will be held on MONDAY, 30th April, in the Institution, at 8 p.m., followed by a Concert by Blind Workers and Friends.
The Hon. W. J. Lyne, Premier of N.S.W., will preside.
Tickets may be obtained at the Institution.
The Band of the Institution will play Selections during the evening.
SUTHERLAND SINCLAIR, Hon. Secretary.

INSTITUTE OF BANKERS OF NEW SOUTH WALES, Equitable-buildings, George-street.
AN ADDRESS will be delivered before the Institute in the Equitable Hall TO-NIGHT, THURSDAY, 26th April, 1900, at 8, by The Hon. WM. M'MILLAN, on "The State Debts and State Railways of Australia."
The chair will be taken by T. A. Dibbs, Esq., General Manager of the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney and Vice-President of the Institute.
Members and friends are invited to attend.
G. M. ALLARD, Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES CLUB.—The Annual General MEETING of the Members will be held in the Reading Room, on FRIDAY, 27th instant, at 1.30 p.m., by order.
FRANK EVANS, Secretary.

QUEEN'S JUBILEE FUND.—The Annual Public MEETING will be held at the Town Hall THIS DAY, THURSDAY, April 26th, at 3.30 p.m.
HELEN SABINE GARRAN, Secretary.

EQUITABLE PERMANENT BENEFIT BUILDING, LAND, AND SAVINGS INSTITUTION.
The Twenty-sixth Annual General MEETING of Members will be held in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, Sydney, at 8 o'clock p.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of May, 1900, to Receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the year ending the 31st March, 1900, and to Elect two Directors and one Auditor. Candidates for office must give seven days' notice in writing to the Manager clear of the day of meeting.
WILLIAM CHADWICK, Manager.

TOOTH and CO., Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-fourth Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Exchange, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, 26th April, 1900, at 12 Noon.
Business:
To receive Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ending 31st March, 1900.
And the consideration of any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
F. L. PARTRIDGE, Manager.

THE TINGHA UNITED TIN-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.
A General MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Byron street, Inverell, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th of May, 1900, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon.
BUSINESS:
To receive Directors' Report and Balance-sheet.
G. S. BONE, Legal Manager.

FREE COACHES to BROOKVALE Land Sale Next SAT. AFTERN. Lithos. from Hardie and Gorman.

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STEEL Patterns for Steel Flanges Wheels, will sell cheap. Macintosh and Sons, 307 Pitt-st.

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KEY.—Found in St. Patrick's last Sunday night, KEY of a safe. Apply 125 Harrington-st., city.

LEFT in Como train, 12th instant, Fawn CAPE and Umbrella. Return Randitoft, Ocean-st., Woollahra.

LOST, Black PURSE, in elect. tram, bet. railway and Quay. Finder return 320 Oxford-st., Padd. Reward.

LOST, PIPE STEM. Please return Searl's, florists, King-st., and oblige loser.

LOST, Gold Brooch, with init'ls, betw. Denison-st. and Watson-st., reward. Havilah, Watson-st., Bondi.

LOST, Gold Brooch, 2 bars with fly, opal, and ruby. Reward. Ret. to 7 York-st., Wynyard-sq.

LOST or Strayed, St. Bernard Dog, answers name Jack. Reward. 78 Glebe-rd. Persons detaining will be pros.

LOST, Centennial Park, Monday, Brown OVERCOAT. Reward. C.o. Phillips, 91 Market-st.

LOST, the Morning Headache now that I stick to DICKENS' WHISKY.

LOST, nearly full-grown White Collie DOG, with tan patch over one eye. Finder will receive reward 10s on returning to owner.
T. SIMCOE, 176 William-street.

LOST, Wednesday morning, corner Carrington-road and Orange-street, Diamond Marquis RING. Reward.
Myra, Figtree-avenue, Randwick.

LOST, in Anthony Hordern's Buildings, or between Ashfield and Sydney, on Tuesday afternoon, Gold Cable BRACELET, name on padlock. Reward on returning to Advertiser Office, Ashfield.

RANDWICK POUND.—Bay MARE, not branded, will be sold THIS DAY, Thursday, 12 o'clock.

REWARD, 10s.—Strayed, Roan COW, RO near rump, 3 off rump. J. Coady, 104 Duke-st., Woolloomooloo.

ROLL of PLANS in Alfred-st., North Sydney, or Congregational Church. Howard and Clarke, 90 Pitt-st.

STRAYED into my yard, DOG, colour yellow, with collar. Henry Baglin, 42 Bourke-st., Waverley.

STRAYED, Red COW, brand DS, straight horns, in milk; reward. Duffy, butcher, Perouse-st., Randwick.

STRAYED, from Redmyre-road, Strathfield, a Shetland PONY, with halter on. Finder will be Rewarded on returning to H. M. EVANS, Esq., St. Kilda, Redmyre-road, Strathfield. Tel., 62 Burwood.

THREE POUND REWARD.—LOST, Diamond Cluster RING, one stone missing, on Easter Monday. 40 Penkivil-street, Bondi.

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BRIGHTON RACES.

FRIDAY, 27th APRIL, 1900.

A SPECIAL TRAIN for First and Second Class Passengers will leave Sydney at 1.55 p.m. for Rockdale, returning from Rockdale after races, and Trams will connect with same from and to Rockdale station.

THROUGH RETURN FARES, Sydney to Brighton Racecourse:—FIRST-CLASS, 6s, including Admission to Grand Stand; SECOND-CLASS, 2s, including Admission to Racecourse only.

EXCURSION TRIPS TO HAWKESBURY RIVER IN CONNECTION WITH THE STEAMER GENERAL GORDON.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY, 27th, 28th, and 29th APRIL.

TRAINS will leave Sydney at 9.5 a.m. on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, and at 9 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. on SUNDAY (Milson's Point at 8.55 a.m. each day). The River Trips will occupy five hours. Seventy miles by rail and 36 by steamer. Return Fares, including Steamer Trip: First-class, 5s 6d; Second-class, 3s 6d.

On FRIDAY special facilities will be given for fishing parties, and the Steamer will anchor at the fishing grounds at Cowan Creek and the Hawkesbury.

By order of the Commissioners.
H. McLACHLAN, Secretary.

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PALACE THEATRE.
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Miss AMY SIMPSON will sing, "Who is Sylvia?" (Schubert), "The Birds' Nest" (Chaminade), and "Golden Lilies" (Leoni).
Mr. EDGAR FULTON, "To be Loved by You" (Adams), and "Come, Gentle Sleep" (Sullivan).
Herr GERARD VOLLMAR will play 'Cello solos, 2nd Movement from Concerto (Lindner) "Traumerei," and Popper's "Arlequin."
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P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, best suburban position, lease 20 yrs., rent 1., 4 36 xxx, tak. £27 wk., £180.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, city corner, 8 yrs., rent 30s, trade 5 27, illness cause selling, bargain, £180.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, main street, busy traffic, lease 7 yrs., rent 50s, well and cleanly furn., jd., &c., offer.

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P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, railway suburb, 700 men employed, gd. lease, rent 20s, full price £135, half cash.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, commanding corner, very best sub., 20 yrs.' lease, rent £4, newly erected, £1200.

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P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, Southern line station, good lease, fair rent, great visitors' hotel, free, £450.

BOARDING-HOUSE, William-st., best locality, fully furn., 8 perm. brdrs., 20s, piano, £150. P. V. Ryan.

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WARDEN.—Hotel, lease 8 years, rent £2, beer trade 7 x 27's weekly, cash £275.

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Hotel, city, lease 9, rent 80s, 6 x 36's, £900.
Hotel, Circular Quay, trade £30, full price £215.
Hotel, Redfern, lease 10 years, 5 x 36's, £290.
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JESSOP.—Hotel, sub., no opposition, Tooth's, new lease, 9 x 36, takes £50, price £450. 6 Castlereagh-st.

JESSOP.—Hotel, sub., trade 4 and 5 x 36, rent and lease right, takes £26, price £170. 6 Castlereagh-st.

JESSOP.—Hotel, good pos., nicely furn., licensee leaving colony, 7. 3½, lease, takes £30 week, want offer.

JESSOP.—Hotels, from £50 and upwards. Call 6 Castlereagh-st., near Hunter-st.

GROCERY, no opposition, could add provisions and produce, house and plenty land, Torrens, £470 cash, or offer, worth twice the money, leaving colony, must sell. 47 Kensington-road, Summer Hill.

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PASTRY and Conf. Business at Petersham for Sale by auction 28th April. See Auction Sales column.

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HOTEL, suburb, doing 7 x 27 week, good lease, £250 cash. Apply King and Co., 77 Elizabeth-st.

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CONFECTIONERY, Pastry, &c., suburban, double shop and fine residence of 6 rooms, rent 25s, doing good and increasing trade, splendidly stocked and fitted, clean and well kept, £45. Owen and Co., 49½ C'reagh-st.

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HIGH-CL. 88 Luncheon and Tea ROOMS, heart of city, beautifully fitted and appointed, patronised by leading gentlemen, a really first-class business, in full working order; price £80, half cash. 130 King-street.

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AMBROSE F. THOMPSON, 130 King-st.—Confect., milk, bread, &c., rent 10s, trade £5, price £20.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st.—Boarding-house, city, 12 rooms, 9 boarders, well furn., £110.

BOARDING Establishment, centre of city, well appointed throughout, first-class furniture, permanent boarders, all cutlery, linen, &c., old-established house, £200, part cash. NEEDHAM and CO.

GROCERY, best suburb, trade £40 weekly, stock at valuation, chance. Needham and Co.

CONFECTIONERY and Greengrocery, railway suburb, takings £15, good run, £55. Needham and Co.

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PRODUCE, Wood and Coal, situated in a leading suburb, trade £100 mth., horses, carts, £120. Needham.

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IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, newly renovated inside and out, good corner, wants working up, £100 cash. 134 Pitt-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, Blue Mountains, 13 yrs. lease, rent £4 10s wk., tkg. £80 wk., £1500, ½ cash. 134 Pitt-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, good northern town, rent 30s, any lease, price £150, half cash, bargain. 134 Pitt-st.

HAIRDRESSING and Tobacco, country town, chance to-day, est. 12 years, well fitted, £65. Ivan Henry.

LAUNDRY, centre city, very complete plant, smart man make fortune, £100. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

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DRESSMAKING BUS., plenty work all year, 13 years' trade, £25, bargain, any trial. Freda, Glebe P.O.

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Auction Sales.

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HEAD 600 HEAD.
INCLUDING SOME VERY FINE PONIES.
MUSWELLBROOK YARDS.
MAY 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.

EDWARD HIGGENS (for Hill, Clark, and Co.) will sell on above dates, commencing at 10 o'clock each day,
600 Head of Horses, represented by the following well-known Breeders:—Edward White, Esq., Martindale; Bakewell Bros., St. Aubins; A. P. Cooper, Esq., Collingual; M. Campbell, Esq., St. Heliers; Thompson Bros., Widden; R. W. C. E. White, Harlen Vale; W. H. Duckham, Esq., Moss Vale; Mrs. A. Hall, Nandowra, Barry Station; J. B. Bettington, Brindley Park; and others too numerous to mention.
N.B.—Sale will start sharp each day at 10 a.m., and Buyers can rely on full numbers being forward. A Crush is now in course of erection at the Yards for convenience of Buyers, and Agistment can be arranged for if required.
EDWARD HIGGENS (for Hill, Clark, and Co.), Muswellbrook.

MOSS VALE.
300 CHOICE DAIRY, FAT, AND STORE CATTLE, 300.
At the SHOWGROUND YARDS, MOSS VALE.
On SATURDAY, 28th APRIL, 1900.
THROSBY and PERRY will sell by auction as above, on SATURDAY, 28th instant, at 2 o'clock sharp,
300 Choice Dairy, Fat, and Store Cattle, comprising
30 Choice Dairy Cows and Heifers, forward springers
70 Choice Dairy Heifers, 2½ to 3 years old, all forward in calf, well-grown, good colours, quiet, and in good condition
60 Choice Dairy Heifers, 12 to 18 months old
20 Store Bullocks, in very forward condition
50 Store Cows, in very forward condition
20 Steers, from 1 to 2 years old
40 Extra Prime Fat Cattle
10 Bulls.

PRODUCE SALES.
SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, Thursday, as under:—
HAIR, HORNS, and BONES.—At the Stores of the Australasian Mortgage and Agency Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., and A. F. Wyly and Co., at 9.30 a.m.

Auction Sales.
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HORSES WANTED. HORSES WANTED.
We have a buyer for the following, viz.:—
20 active Draught Horses, 5 to 9 years old, 15 to 15.3 high.
Also,
20 strong Sad. and Harness Horses, 5 to 9 years old, 15 to 15.3 high.
Buyer will inspect at our Bazaar, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, on Saturday morning next, at 10.30 a.m.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON.

INGLIS AND SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m. sharp, Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, Horses, and Harness.
At 11.30 a.m.,
Horses and Vehicles of every description.
Specially Advertised. Tel., 188.

10 UPSTANDING HARNESS HORSES FROM BEGA. 10
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. COWDROY, Bega, to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 11.30 a.m.,
10 Upstanding Harness Horses, all thoroughly broken in and quiet.
*** Included in the lot are some very stylish horses, suitable for match pairs, being thoroughly broken in; subject to trial.

PUREBRED JERSEY BULLS, FOR PRIVATE SALE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have for Private Sale, now on view at their Bazaar,
Purebred Jersey Bull, CREAMER'S HEIR; also 4 two-year-old Bulls, by Creamer's Heir, from pure cows; and one Yearling Bull.
THE ABOVE ARE FROM Mr. CHAS. DUNN'S HERD AT THE OAKS, AND ARE A SPLENDID LOT. NO REASONABLE OFFER REFUSED.

ROADSTER HORSE, BILLY.
First-class 14.2 Mare, sup. Sulky, and Set of Harness; also two Sets of extra good quality Buggy Harness.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. ADAM BEERS to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 11.30 a.m.,
BILLY, Bay Roadster Sire (by Childe Harold), thoroughly broken; stylish Chestnut Mare, 7 years, 14.2, by Era, very fast; 1st-class silver-mounted Sulky and Harness. Also, two spare sets of Buggy Harness of extra good quality.
The above are being parted with solely on account of Mr. Beers having no stabling accommodation at his present premises.

TWO FIRST-CLASS NEW SULKIES.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Builder to sell by auction at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 11.30 A.M.,
2 first-class New Sulkies, for Positive Sale.

RACING PONY, BOLD GIRL, 12.3.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
BOLD GIRL, Bay Pony Mare, 4 yrs., 12.3, by Goodfellow, broken to sad. Fare, at sale.

HOODED WAGGONETTE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Owner to sell by auction, at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 11.30 A.M.,
Waggonette (with hood), carries 6 persons, light, and in good order.

REVERSIBLE PHAETON TURNOUT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Dr. JONES to sell by auction, at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 11.30 A.M.,
Brown Cob, 14.2 high, reliable and quiet, lady can drive; set of Harness, and Reversible Phaeton.

RACING MARE, ODD MARK, 15 HDS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. FINN to sell by auction, at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 11.30 A.M.,
ODD MARK, Chest. Mare, 15 hd., Ken, etc., winner of many races; Clothing, Sad., and Bridle.

RACING MARE ELLEN, 14 HDS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Owner to sell by auction at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
ELLEN, Ches. Mare, 14 hds., cert., 5 yrs., by Lottery. Full par. at sale.

S.S. BUGGY TURNOUT, ALSO SULKY DITTO.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction at their BAZAAR THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Reliable Horse, S.S. Buggy and Harness.
Ditto ditto Sulky and Harness.

4 SOUTH COAST HORSES. 4
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. T. J. BROWNLEE, Albion Park, to sell by auction at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
4 fresh country Horses, comprising one upstanding Gelding, suit van; 2 light sad. and har. Horses, and 1 Black Pony, 13.2 high. All subject to trials.

MYRMIDON, WELL-KNOWN HURDLE HORSE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. M. FOSTER to sell by auction at their Bazaar THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
MYRMIDON, Black Gelding, by Castoff, dam Governess, well-known on the turf. Full par. at sale.

FIRST-CLASS HEAVY DRAUGHT GELDING.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. MARSDEN, COWRA, to sell by auction at their Bazaar THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
First-class Bay H.D. Gelding, a thorough staunch and good worker.

20 STANCH HORSES, 4 YANKEE OMNIBUSES, HARNESS, and LINE of ROAD; also Handsome BROUGHAM CAB TURNOUT, SULKY and HARNESS, Bay MARE, CUTUNDER SOCIABLE, and HARNESS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. JOSEPH M'GRATH to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
20 Stanch Horses, 4 Yankee Omnibuses (licensed), Harness, and Lines of Road, Glebe-street to Wynyard-square and Glebe Point to Circular Quay. Also reliable Horse, handsome Brougham Cab and Har., Bay Mare, Cutunder Sociable and Harness; also Sulky and Harness.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock sharp,
On account Messrs. D. Buffier, M'Intosh Bros., & M'Minn, T. Briggs, and other owners,
60 First-class MILCH COWS, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.
At half-past 3 o'clock,
80 First-class Dry and Fat Cattle.

FAT CATTLE, FAT CALVES, FAT AND STORE PIGS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY at the usual time,
1 Truck Prime Fat Calves, from Riverstone
1 Truck Prime Fat Calves, from Mittagong
1 Truck Prime Fat Cattle, from Mittagong
1 Truck Prime Fat Pigs, from Camden
50 Dry and Fat Cattle, on account of various owners.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.
CAMPERDOWN YARDS.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, APRIL 27th, at 1.30 pm.
70 SEVENTY HEAD. 70
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above,
On account of Mr. WM. FULJAMES, TAMWORTH,
40 strongly-built Light Harness and Saddle Horses, principally bays and browns, the right ages, broken and unbroken, all in good condition.
*** Among the lot are three good useful Ponies, also one upstanding Gelding, thoroughly quiet and reliable, suitable for family carriage.
On account of Mr. J. D. SINGLE, Jun., Mudgee,
10 Superior Country Horses, comprising Draughts and useful Light Harness and Saddle Horses, broken and unbroken.
On account Mr. E. BOWEN, Raymond Terrace,
20 FIRST-CLASS HORSES, comprising 14 Upstanding Horses, with substance and quality, the right ages, suitable for the INDIAN MARKET or for buggy and hackney work; also, 6 HEAVY or ACTIVE DRAUGHTS (including one upstanding SUFFOLK PUNCH COLT), unbroken.

HAIR, HORNS, and BONES.
PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell THIS DAY, at their Stores, Circular Quay, HORNS and BONES.

GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO., Ltd., will sell by auction TO-DAY, at 9.30, Hair, Bones, Horns.

WEEKLY STOCK SALE.
ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction at their Sydney Stock Sale Yards, Quay-street, off George-street South, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Milch Cows and Springers.
At half-past 2,
Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, Store Pigs, &c.

THIS DAY at 2.30.
MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, at Hay and George streets, Haymarket, superior Household Furniture, Bedsteads, Bedding, and Sundries. No Reserve.

THIS DAY, 10 o'clock.
JOHN CANTY will sell at 48 Grosvenor-street, Down, D. and S. ½-tes. Bedsteads, Washstands, Chairs, Chiffs., oval Tables, din. Tables, kit. Fur., Sundries.

Auction Sales.

THIS DAY,
THURSDAY, APRIL 26th,
AT 11 A.M.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION.
AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET.
Under instructions from the Importers.
1 Case MOSKLEY'S TABLE CUTLERY
3 Cases TABLE CUTLERY
20 Cases KALSOMINE
60doz. CHAFF KNIVES, assorted
4 CYCLOSTYLES
30 Bundles BAMBOO BLINDS
20 Coils ARMOURED GARDEN HOSE
9 Cases O'Hara CALCITINE, in all 37 7lb tins
8 Cases ROACH TRAPS,
and other lines in
GENERAL HARDWARE, IRONMONGERY, &c.
Also
SHIPMENT OF VARNISHES
(BERRY BROTHERS, Ltd., NEW YORK),
comprising
Locomotive Finishing, Inside Coach Finishing, Polishing, Outside Coach Rubbing, Locomotive Rubbing, Inside Coach Rubbing, Black Enamel, Locomotive Black, Japan Gold Size, Coach Japan, Lightning Dryer, Spar Varnish, Transparent Tokio Lacquer, Brewers' Shellac, Quick Rubbing, Casket Flowing, Crushers' Dryer.
And
on account of whom it may concern,
with all faults, if any.
WS over D in diamond, ex Warrnambool,
1 Bale STRAW PLATES
1 Case KNIFE BOARDS.
HENRY HARRIS AND COMPANY,
AUCTIONEERS and VALUATORS,
199 PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY,
THURSDAY, 26th APRIL,
AT 12 NOON.
FOR ABSOLUTE UNRESERVED SALE.
On the Premises,
THE SCENE OF THE LATE FIRE
at
Messrs. J. R. LOVE and COMPANY,
BATHURST-STREET.
Under instructions from
Mr. J. M. ROOKE, FIRE ADJUSTER.
On account of whom it may concern,
with all faults, if any.
SALVAGE GOODS,
comprising
GENERAL GROCERIES and OILMEN'S STORES
(loose and in cases).
Lazenby's Pickles, Holbrook's Sauces, Castor and Salad Oils, C. and B. Jellies and Anchovies, &c., &c.
And
3 Tons RICE and SAGO.
HENRY HARRIS AND COMPANY
will sell as above, on THE PREMISES, BATHURST-STREET, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 12 noon.

To the Drapery Trade, Dealers, and Others.
FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.
AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 26,
AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
On Account and Risk of Those Concerned.
AM in Diamond.
8 CASES, CONTAINING 70 DOZEN LINEN DAMASK TABLECLOTHS, with Fringe and Scarlet Border, Assorted Sizes.
Also,
MEN'S, BOYS', and YOUTHS' CLOTHING, FANCY TWEEDS, WOOLLENS, and SUITINGS, LADIES' TAILOR-MADE COSTUMES.
Also,
LARGE ASSORTMENT GENERAL DRAPERY.
In Dress Goods, Prints, Cashmeres, Velveteens, Flannelettes, Chemises, Nights, Shirts, Hosiery, Blouses, Linings, Braces, Ties, &c.
Also,
on Account of Those Concerned.
4 Cases STRAW HATS,
500 Doz. GILT JEWELLERY.
A. TRAVERSI AND CO.
will sell as above, at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, April 26, at 11 o'clock sharp.

TO IRONMONGERS, STOREKEEPERS, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.
AT MY NEW MART.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 26th,
AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, WITH ALL FAULTS, IF ANY.
REMOVED FROM NEWCASTLE.
10 CASES OF ASSORTED TOOLS.
Also,
LOCKS, BOLTS, DOOR FURNITURE, WINDOW FITTINGS, SHOVELS.
Also,
30 AMERICAN DOORS
and
800 DOZEN METAL SPIRAL COMBS.
HARRY ISAACS
has received instructions to sell the above, at his New Mart, near Bull's-chambers, Moore-street, city.
WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST RESERVE.

TO TOBACCONISTS, HAIRDRESSERS, STOREKEEPERS, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, AT MY NEW MART.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 26th, at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. WITH ALL FAULTS, IF ANY.
100 BOXES CAMEO CIGARETTES,
IN LOTS TO SUIT BUYERS.
HARRY ISAACS
has received instructions to sell the above, at his New Mart, near Bull's-chambers, Moore-street, city.
WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST RESERVE.

TO THE RETAIL TRADE, DRAPERS, and CLOTHIERS.
AT THE ROOMS, 115 BATHURST-STREET, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 O'CLOCK, GENERAL DRAPERY STOCK.
Removed to the Rooms from Cobargo.
LARGE ASSORTMENT OF MILLINERY, WOOLLENS TWEEDS, FANCY TRIMMINGS, HABERDASHERY DRESS SILKS, RIBBONS, FEATHERS, and BOXES FLOWERS
MEN'S, BOYS', and YOUTHS' SUITS
HATS, COLLARS, TIES, TROUSERS and VESTS
COUNTER, SHOWCASE, HATSTANDS, and MIRRORS
DALWOOD and CO., Limited, have received instructions from Mr. J. GRAVES, of COBARGO, to sell as above.
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY.
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction at his Rooms, 247a Pitt-street, the UNREDEEMED PLEDGES pawned with Mr. J. A. Miller, of Goulburn-street.
At 11 o'clock: Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.
At 3 o'clock: Sundries and Jewellery.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
CONTINUATION SALE OF JEWELLERY.
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction at his Rooms, 247a Pitt-street, the Balance of Unsold JEWELLERY, pledged with Mr. Joe Davis, of the Cambridge Loan Office, 26 Park-street, comprising
Gold and Silver Lever and Waltham Watches, Gold Alberts, Chains, Brooches, Earrings, Pins, Links, Bracelets, &c.
Diamond, Signet, Keeper, and Wedding Rings, &c.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 2.30 o'clock.
At 37 BROADWAY, GLEBE.
UNDER BILL OF SALE.
J. BROWN and CO. have been instructed to sell by auction, for Mortgagees, the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Appointments of 12 well-furnished rooms for Dining, Drawing, Bed Rooms, Library, and Kitchen.
UPRIGHT GRAND PIANO (RONISCH), superb instrument, cost 75 gns.
Real Walnut Sideboard, Bedroom Suites in Walnut, Birch, and Pine, Dining-room Suite (real leather)
Tables, Chairs, Glass, China, Duchesse Pairs
Brass-mt. Bedsteads and Bedding
Linoleum, Carpets, Overmantels, Mangle, Gas Stove, and all Effects for furnishing thoughout.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 26th APRIL,
at 11 o'clock,
in the Auction Rooms, 78 Walker-street,
NORTH SYDNEY.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS
SPRINGCART, &c., &c.
Removed to Rooms for Convenience of Sale.
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
CLARKE and SOLOMONS, Auctioneers, 78 Walker-street, North Sydney.

SATURDAY, 28th APRIL,
AT 2.30 P.M.
IMPORTANT AUCTIONEERS' ANNOUNCEMENT
to
LADIES and GENTLEMEN
Furnishing and Others.
ATTRACTIVE UNRESERVED SALE
by public auction,
at the residence of
Mrs. A. M. SANDERS,
32 Marion-street, Leichhardt,
of the whole of her
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
and Effects,
in consequence of her departure from Sydney,
comprising
WELL-MADE DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, handsome Sideboard, 9-piece Suite in leather, Walnut Overmantel
UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, in Walnut case, by W. Biese, in splendid order, an instrument that can be recommended
SUBSTANTIAL BEDROOM FURNITURE, in imitation American Walnut, only recently purchased
MASSIVE BLACK and BRASS Half-tester BEDSTEAD and BEDDING, of the best quality, almost new
And Sundries.
WALTER BRADLEY AND CO.
have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. A. M. SANDERS to conduct the above sale on SATURDAY, 28th APRIL, at 2.30 p.m.
TERMS, CASH. NO RESERVE.

BROOKVALE, near Manly, Redman's Estate, on the Ground, Next SATURDAY. Hardie and Gorman.

AUCTIONEERS' NOTICE.
THE SALE ADVERTISED to take place THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at "AYR," FLOOD-STREET, BONDI, the residence of Captain Holmes, has been Withdrawn,
LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Ltd.,
JAMES R. LAWSON,
Auctioneer,
128, 130 Pitt-street.

Important to Ladies and Gentlemen about to Furnish, or further add to the Appointments of their Homes.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
APRIL 27th, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.,
at
LAWSON, CARO, AND CO., Limited
AUCTION ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET
(near King-street).
Under instructions from
Miss MANNING.
The whole of the
FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS
of
THE VICTORIA CLUB,
PHILLIP-STREET.
Removed from the Club Premises to the Auction Rooms for convenience of sale.
Including
SUPERB PIANOFORTE,
by
ERNEST KAPS, DRESDEN,
in Walnut Case, a Semi-grand, in very fine order. The Instrument has had little use, and is highly recommended.
GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.
CASE CONTAINING A HANDSOME SERVICE of MAPPIN and WEBB'S TABLE PLATE of the first quality.
Case containing FISH KNIVES and FORKS, Case containing DESSERT KNIVES and FORKS.
IVORY-HANDLED CUTLERY.
ENTRANCE HALL FURNITURE.
DINING-ROOM FURNITURE,
including
LARGE CHESTERFIELD COUCH, upholstered in Leather.
SUPERIOR SIDEBOARD and WAGGONS.
BEST QUALITY OAK CHAIRS, with high backs and Leather Seats.
DRAWING-ROOM APPOINTMENTS.
BRUSSELS CARPET SQUARES.
INDIAN CARVED TABLES.
LIBRARY FURNITURE,
comprising
Cedar Secretary, Walnut Writing Table, Hanging Book Shelves, Cane-seated Chairs.
CALIGRAPH.
The complete and superior
FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS
for
10 BEDROOMS,
including
Ash Bedroom Suites, Olympic Bedsteads with horsehair mattresses and best bedding complete, Combination Dressing Chests, Couches, and Easy Chairs.
LINEN, DAMASK, BLANKETS.
KITCHEN and LAUNDRY EFFECTS,
&c., &c.
LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Ltd.,
JAMES R. LAWSON,
AUCTIONEER,
have been favoured with instructions from Miss MANNING to conduct the Important Sale by Auction as above, AT THEIR AUCTION ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.

FURNITURE AND OTHER EFFECTS
belonging to
B. C. SIMPSON, Esq.
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,
at
LAWSON, CARO, AND CO., Limited,
AUCTION ROOMS, 128-130 PITT-STREET
(near King-street),
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
27th APRIL, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.
The Appointments of
A SUITE OF ROOMS,
including
DINING-ROOM, SITTING-ROOM,
and
BEDROOM FURNITURE
and
MISCELLANEOUS EFFECTS.
Also,
OFFICE FURNITURE,
comprising
WALNUT PEDESTAL DOUBLE WRITING DESK, with Drawers and Cupboards
WALNUT SWIVEL ADJUSTABLE ARM CHAIR
COPY LETTERPRESS and STAND, Pigeon-hole Cabinet for Foolscap.
AMERICAN WALNUT ENCLOSED WASHSTAND.
&c., &c.
In consequence of Mr. B. C. SIMPSON'S departure on a visit to England, the Furniture and Effects as abovementioned will be Sold by Auction WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Ltd.,
JAMES R. LAWSON,
AUCTIONEER,
have been favoured with instructions from B. C. SIMPSON, Esq., to sell by auction, as above.
On VIEW THIS DAY, THURSDAY, April 26.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
APRIL 27, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M.,
at
LAWSON, CARO, AND CO., Limited,
AUCTION ROOMS, 128 and 130 PITT-STREET
(near King-street).
The appointments of
WESTBOURNE, 40 MACLEAY-STREET.
Under Instructions from
Miss ALICE STARKEY,
in consequence of her departure for the Continent.
WILTON PILE DRAWING-ROOM CARPET,
BRUSSELS and TAPESTRY CARPETS,
SUPERIOR BRASS CORNICE RODS,
and SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH HANGINGS,
WALNUT SUITE OF LIBRARY FURNITURE,
Upholstered in Tapestry.
MASSIVE BLACK and NICKEL 5ft. HALF-TESTER BEDSTEAD, Heavy Horsehair Mattress and Bedding, with Cretonne Hangings
BLACK and BRASS HALF-TESTER, 4ft., BEDSTEADS and Superior Bedding.
BEST QUALITY AXMINSTER STAIR CARPET and Hall Runners to Match.
LINOLEUMS from HALL and BEDROOMS, in Superior Quality.
FULL-PLATE PHOTOGRAPHIC CAMERA.
BEDROOM FURNITURE.
KITCHEN REQUISITES, and Sundries.
LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Limited,
JAMES R. LAWSON,
AUCTIONEER,
have been favoured with instructions from Miss ALICE STARKEY to sell by auction, as above.
ON VIEW, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, April 26.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
THE
FURNITURE
and
APPOINTMENTS
at
SAN DIEGO,
45 MACLEAY-STREET,
POTTS POINT,
WILL BE SOLD
by
AUCTION,
on
TUESDAY, MAY 1st, 1900,
at
11 A.M.,
by
JAMES R. LAWSON,
LAWSON, CARO, and CO.,
Limited.,
from whom Catalogues can now be obtained.

CHATSWOOD.
HUGH DUFF and CO. have been instructed by Mrs. Whinfield to offer by PUBLIC AUCTION, AT HER RESIDENCE, CR. of GORDON-ROAD and SUTHERLAND-ROAD, on SATURDAY, 28th INST., at 2.30 P.M.,
The HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising DRAWING and DINING ROOM SUITES, MAHOGANY TELESCOPE TABLE, American Organ, Walnut WARDROBE, Double and Single BEDSTEADS, CUTLERY and GLASS WARE, Dresser and Kitchen Utensils, GAS STOVE, &c., &c.
For full particulars see handbills.
HUGH DUFF and CO.,
Auctioneers, 109 Pitt-street.

WOOLLAHRA.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 26th,
commencing at 11 a.m. sharp.
On the Premises,
MAYVILLE, ADELAIDE STREET,
WOOLLAHRA,
the Residence of R. KURTS, Esq.
The Whole of the
HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS,
and EFFECTS,
the majority of which were recently purchased from LEADING CITY FIRMS.
Amongst which may be mentioned
ELEGANTLY CARVED SOLID WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE of 7 PIECES, in FRENCH SILK DAMASK.
Walnut, Card, and Occasional TABLES
BAMBOO and LACQUER CABINET, fitted with recess and bric-a-brac shelves
Best Quality 5-frame Brussels CARPETS
ROYAL AXMINSTER RUGS
WALNUT OVERMANTELS.
DRESDEN, MINTON, and DOULTON CHINA VASES, PLAQUES, &c.
VALUABLE UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, in WALNUT CASE, "Lipp System," with all the latest improvements.
, Has only been in use six months.
THE DINING-ROOM FURNITURE
comprises
MASSIVE 5ft. WALNUT SIDEBOARD, with bevelled P.G. back, handsomely carved and fitted throughout.
TWO LARGE DIVAN EASY CHAIRS, of superior quality.
DINING-ROOM SUITE in OAK, with Cane Seats and Back
DINNER WAGGON, with P.G. back
Elegant DINNER SERVICE of 90 pieces
HAND-PAINTED TEA SERVICE, 40 pieces
ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, of fine quality
Fender and Irons, Linoleums.
Magnificent and Handsomely Carved
WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE,
consisting of
6ft. Wardrobe with two plate-glass doors, pair of Duchesse Toilets, Pedestal, &c., &c.
BRASS-MOUNTED and ENAMELLED BEDSTEADS, furnished with Woven-wire Mattresses and Kapoc Bedding.
LARGE-SIZE LINEN PRESS, WARDROBES
CHESTS OF DRAWERS, DUCHESSE PAIRS
SWISS and MADRAS LACE CURTAINS.
The Furnishings of 3 Minor Bedrooms.
WALNUT HALL FURNITURE.
HOUSEHOLD, KITCHEN, and LAUNDRY UTENSILS, of Every Description.
, ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.
BARNARD AND CO.
have been instructed to sell as above.
POSITIVELY WITHOUT RESERVE.
Auctioneers' Offices: 74 Castlereagh-street.

Balance of UNREDEEMED CLOTHING of Mr. L. R. Wilson, of King-street, Newtown, as previously advertised.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Clothing, all first-class goods. Dealers and the Public are specially invited to this Sale.
H. LEVY has received instructions to sell the above, at 135 Regent-street, city, on MONDAY Next, 30th March, at 2 o'clock.

H. LEVY will sell, at 135 Regent-st., at 2.30, Clothing, Jewellery, and Sundries.

PASTRY and Confectionery BUSINESS, 282 Parramatta-road, Petersham.—STRONGMAN and WATSON will sell the above THIS DAY, 26th April, at 2 p.m., as a going concern, or in lots. Scales, weights, lollyjars, glass case, Webster's incandescent lamps, shelves, window fittings, &c.; also stock of confectionery.

ORDER OF SALE.
SHARE and PROPERTIES to be submitted by PUBLIC AUCTION THIS DAY,
26th April, at 11.30,
by
HUGH DUFF and CO.,
at their Salerooms, 109 Pitt-street.
SHARE.—1 Civil Service Co-operative Share.
HUNTER'S HILL. JOHN-STREET, opp. St. Joseph's College.—STONE COTTAGE, contg. 5 rooms, kitchen, and every convenience, 3-stall stable, coachhouse, &c. Land 132ft. x 291ft., laid out. Torrens.
TURRAMURRA. (Imperative Sale.) Co. EASTERN-ROAD and King-street, close to station.—CHARMING COTTAGE RESIDENCE, 7 rooms, kit., &c. Land 99ft. x 220ft. Title Torrens.
TURRAMURRA. (For Positive Sale.) Right at station, opp. Dr. O'Neill's Res.—SPLENDID BUSINESS SITE, 3 road frontages, 124ft. to Lane Cove-road, 170ft. to William-street, depth 112ft. to 261ft., with Shop and Cottage thereon.
Full particulars from
HUGH DUFF and CO., Auctioneers,
109 Pitt-street.

ORDER OF SALE.
SHARES.
CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.,
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY).
SHARES.—Five Civil Service Co-op., Ltd.
WOOLLOOMOOLOO.—Dwelling, No. 18 Riley-street, north of William-street. Executor's Sale.
REDFERN.—Two Shops and Dwellings, Nos. 203 and 205 Regent-street, near Boundary-street. FREEHOLD.
NORTH ANNANDALE.—Two Cottages, Nos. 191 and 193 Young-street, between Collins and Booth streets. Executor's Sale.
WOOLLAHRA.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 16 Oxford-street, little beyond Queen-street, opposite park entrance. Freehold.
DITTO.—Eden Cottage land, No. 76 Denison-street and Point Piper-road. Leasehold.
BALMAIN.—Block of 1 acre 3 roods 11½ perches. Public School Site, Birchgrove-road, between Water and Punch streets. By order of Department Public Instruction.
STRATHFIELD.—Cottage, Strathearn, Lyons-street, close to bowling green.
BEECROFT.—Block, fronting Beecroft Parade, Hannah and Malton streets, opposite Church of England. In lots.
TURRAMURRA.—Residence and 1 acre, Womerah-road, little north of Lane Cove-road. Mortgagee's Sale.
WAHROONGA.—Block of Land, 2 acres 1 rood 35½ perches, Warwilla and Bundarra avenues. Bundarra Estate.
NORTH SYDNEY.—Corner Lot, Carrabella and Parkes streets, and Allotment, Parkes-street.
MOSMAN'S.—Allotment, Belmont-street, close to Bardwell-street.
MIDDLE HARBOUR.—13 acres Water Frontage, Long Bay and road off Spit-road, near Quaker's Hat.
NORTH BOTANY.—Allotment, Park and Blucher streets, Wellington Estate.
HUNTER'S HILL.—Block of Land, Wybalena-road and waters of Parramatta-road, adjoining H. Deane's residence.
FIVE DOCK.—3 Lots, Battersea Park Estate, close to tram.
UPPER BANKSTOWN.—Two Blocks on Campbell Hill Estate, 8 acres 2 roods 39 per. and 9 acres respectively.
MOUNT VICTORIA.—Cottage and 2 acres, Bathurst-road, close to station, known as Mr. Kunz's.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

WOOLLAHRA.
A triangular CORNER, having frontages of 231ft. 3½in. to the west side of DENISON-STREET, about 197ft. 2in. to the east side of the POINT PIPER-ROAD, and 82ft. 1½in. to Spicer-lane, with a depth through on the base line of 127ft. 7½in. It is leasehold, having about 55 years to run. Ground rental, £12 per annum.
The improvements comprise Eden Cottage, No. 76 Denison-street, of stone and weatherboard, with verandah front and rear, and containing 6 apartments.
, A Capital site for a terrace of Modern Cottages, which would let well and command satisfactory rentals.
AUCTION SALE at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 27th APRIL, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited (4579)

ESTATE of GEORGE CHALMERS CRUICKSHANK, of Turramurra, Builder.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m.
At TURRAMURRA-AVENUE, TURRAMURRA.
By Order of the Official Assignee.
The Official Assignee's Right, Title, and Interest (if any) in and to
Lot 1. Large Block of LAND, situate Turramurra-avenue.
Lot 2. The Foundations of a Building, the plan of which is a Commodious Residence.
Lot 3. Building Material, on the ground, consisting of about 10,000 Bricks, Slates, Sashes, Wrought Door and Sash Frames, Split Posts, Scaffold Planks, Bends and Elbows, Cement, &c.
To be submitted in one line as a whole, but failing a satisfactory bid, the Building Material will be Sold in Lots, WITHOUT RESERVE.
C. F. W. LLOYD will sell by auction on FRIDAY Next, at Turramurra, the above. Terms, Cash. Offices, 182 Phillip-street.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales, Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 25th April, 1900.
J. M'LAUGHLIN v. FOLEY, L.
ON MONDAY, the 28th day of May, 1900, at noon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by public auction at the Arbitration Court, Supreme Court, Sydney.
All the Right, Title, and Interest of LAWRENCE FOLEY, the Defendant herein, of, in, and to all that the Equity of Redemption and all other the Right, Title, and Interest (if any) of him the said Defendant of, in, and to all that Piece or Parcel of Land, containing 9¼ perches, situate at Woollahra, parish of Alexandria, and county of Cumberland, being the land comprised in Certificate of Title dated 24th June, 1892, Reg. Vol. 1062, Folio 190.
Also, of, in, and to all that Piece or Parcel of Land, containing 2¾ perches, situate at Old South Head-road, parish of Alexandria, and county of Cumberland, being the land comprised in Certificate of Title dated 20th March, 1893, Reg. Vol. 1088, Folio 143.
Also, of, in, and to all that Piece or Parcel of Land, containing 39¾ perches, situate adjoining the lastmentioned parcel, in the same parish and county, and being the land comprised in Certificate of Title dated 20th March, 1893, Reg. Vol. 1088, Folio 144.
The land first abovementioned is subject to the following Mortgages, viz.:—From Defendant to the Australian Mutual Provident Society, dated 24th March, 1893, to secure £5500 and interest at 5½ per cent., No. 209,621; also further Mortgage to the same Society, dated 11th July, 1894, to secure £1000 and interest at 6 per cent., No. 237,945; and also further Mortgage to the Bank of New South Wales, dated 14th February, 1895, to secure cash credit for £2000, No. 235,490.
The second and lastmentioned pieces or parcels of Land are subject to and included in the abovementioned Mortgages, Nos. 237,945 and 235,490.
Terms, Cash.
C. E. B. MAYBURY, Sheriff.
J. M'LAUGHLIN,
Plaintiff in Person,
Sydney.

ORDER OF SALE
of
CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be offered by Auction, at the Rooms,
250 PITT-STREET,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11.30 a.m.
CITY, No. 147 Goulburn-street.—House, brick, 5 rooms, kitchen, &c., land 20ft. 9in. x 60ft. to lane, Torrens.
NEWTOWN, Nos. 28 and 30 O'Connell-street.—Two Houses, brick on stone, each 4 rooms, kitchen, &c., land 30ft. x 88ft. to lane at rear, Freehold.
WAVERLEY.—Land 40ft. to Dickson-street by a depth of 160ft. Freehold.
COOGEE.—Land 80ft. to Beach-street by a depth of 118ft. 7in.; also Land 80ft. to Victor-street by a depth of 118ft. 2in., Cliffbrook Estate, Freehold.
NORTH SYDNEY, 71 Little Walker-street.—Stone and W.B. Cottage, 4 rooms, kitchen, land 80ft. x 138ft. through to Arthur-street. Freehold.
BALMAIN, 41 Foucart-street.—W.B. Cottage, 2 rooms, kitchen (plastered), land 30ft. x 95ft., Torrens.
CANTERBURY.—Land, Bridgewater Est., 50ft. to Fore-street x 150ft., Torrens; Lot 25, Sec. 4, 50ft. to Fore-street x 150ft.; Lot 45, Sec. 2, 100ft. to Campsie-street x 250ft.
ERNEST C. V. BROUGHTON, Auctioneer.

ORDER OF SALE
of PROPERTIES
to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
in the ROOMS, 86 PITT-STREET,
THIS DAY, at 11.30:—
DARLINGHURST-ROAD. Desirable Family Residence, known as "CLYTIE," situate a little south of the intersection of the Darlinghurst-road and Victoria-street. Title Torrens.
TURRAMURRA, Karuah-road. Detached Cottage, standing in 1½ acres of land, containing 8 rooms and outhouses. Torrens Title.
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CHAPTER XIV.—Continued.

"MY DEARS, HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF ME?"

The door opens, and enter Simmins, very grand, but somewhat ill at ease regarding his delayed appearance. He had been wrangling with his wife in the kitchen because the kettle would not boil, and a kettle that wouldn't boil at such a time, and for such visitors, was only fit for the dung-heap.

On such occasions he called Mrs. Simmins "Cook," and thought of her only in that capacity.

She was a phlegmatic creature; and so slow in her methods that her soups were invariably good—soups as we know being fitter for eternity than for time in the matter of their composition.

But when, sinking the husband in the butler, Simmins demanded hot water for tea, it wasn't as if it was for soup he wanted it, cried he, in wrathful agitation, which fell on Cook accordingly. Every minute he had expected to hear his bell, and Lady Blanche's departing steps upon the staircase.

And he knew, for he had been long at The Nook, who and what Lady Blanche was, and the honour her ladyship was doing the house. It was downright devilish of that there kettle not to boil.

It gave him time to set his tray well out, however, and a handsomer trayful was never borne upstairs than that now presented to the eyes of the small party assembled there.

"Settin' as quiet," commented Simmins, "as settin' 'ens." He breathed a sigh of relief, and set out the tea things.

"Have you sent round the carriage?" Suddenly Bet bethought her of this. "You won't go yet, will you, dear Lady Blanche?"

"We can't let you go yet," added Georgie.

"I never thought of going," replied her ladyship with the utmost artlessness. "I consider myself cruelly ill-used to have been kept in ignorance of you two so long—and also of your brother and sister. Perhaps they will come in before we go? Oh, not Lionel? He will allow me to call him 'Lionel,' will he not? I wonder if I shall see a—a resemblance?"

"You will," said Bet, fearlessly. "We all do. And Lionel is like our father in other things besides looks. He is father over again to us girls. Oh, Lady Blanche, I am so glad, so thankful—I can't tell you what it is to us, what it will be to him to know that we have founnd a friend—and such a friend! We don't seem able to believe it, Georgie and I," smiling round at her sister, whose obvious enjoyment evinced the truth of her own prognostications, "but when we come to tell the others?"

Simmins now stood back, and looked at his hissing urn suggestively.

Lady Blanche produced her own box of saccharine pellets. "You see I made tolerably sure of finding you at home," said she; "and now, my dear Bet—I am to call you 'Bet'?—will you begin from now to remember all my little oddities? Because we are going to see a great, great deal of each other; and you will often have to give me tea and all sorts of things. I never take sugar—never. Gout, my love. It is in the family. It is in the Umfreville family, too; but I suppose you have not yet begun——"

"It wouldn't deign to us," Bet shook her head, but even the old self-contempt was shorn of its bitterness at such a moment and in such a presence. "Gout would be insulted by the very mention of us. It is only for the real Umfrevilles."

"Your mother was a real Umfreville. And, by the way, who do you call 'real' of those now living? There is Sophia; and the Geoffrey Umfrevilles, but they have no children; and—and—upon my word I can't think of any more except your uncle himself. Oh, there is an heir, you say?"

"Sydney, uncle George's son. We never saw uncle George; but we saw Sydney once. We didn't care for him."

Lady Blanche let the subject drop.

But after tea she had a stroll, and met Poll coming in from her sketching ramble. "Another true Colvin," cried she delightedly; and at the first superficial glance found the new comer even more like her former friend than were his other daughters. (She came back to Bet presently; Poll lacked staying power.) "Now I have seen you all except Lionel," summed up she; "and I know the house, and the garden, and the cat," as a grey tabby emerged, and strolled leisurely past. "It is the beginning of a great, great friendship. You will tell your brother so? Ask him to call. Say we shall be in—let me see——" pausing to consider.

"I am afraid Lionel is not able to make calls, except on Saturdays," said Bet, modestly but firmly. It was better to make this clear at the outset.

"And on Saturday next we have an engagement. But would he come to luncheon on Sunday? Yes? That will do then; be sure you tell him. I don't ask any of the rest this time, because," said Lady Blanche, who knew mankind, "brothers get on better at first meetings when the little sisters are not present," laughing frankly. "Is it not so, my dear?"

Bet owned it was so. (How did this stranger know Lionel would be much more at ease and talkative if by himself?)

"They are all like that," said the elder lady, smiling. "And he is quiet and reserved, you say? Like his father. So like his father." Again the soft, retrospective look.

"Well, we shall look for him next Sunday, unless we hear to the contrary. Now, Leonora?" and the speaker looked round. Leonora hastened up dutifully.

"We must tear ouselves away," said Lady Blanche, in her best manner. "It has been so pleasant, such a delightful discovery"—then she paused, and bent anew her keen, hawklike vision on the assembled three. "But I am surprised that you had never just—just heard of me," she murmured wistfully.

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"Heard of her?" said Lionel when he was told. "Why of course we heard of her. What could she mean? As if we could have helped hearing. Living close by, and she the chief person——"

"Oh, Lionel, it was not that she meant," one and all proceeded to enlarge.

Lionel went off by himself, and thought.

When he came back there was a look upon his face which arrested everyone's attention. "Girls," he said, and at the tone they fastened their eyes still more closely on him. "Look here," proceeded he, in a low, awe-stricken tone, "it is the strangest thing if it is so. But I wonder we never thought of it before. I believe—I am sure—I have been looking to see, and I do believe that——"

"That what? Get on; do get on." They were burning with impatience.

"That she is—Blanche," said he, beneath his breath.

"Blanche?" It was the younger ones who alone found voice to echo the words, as they looked at each other in uncomprehending perplexity. The lips of the elder parted, but no sound escaped them.

"Bet knows," said Lionel, in the same thrilling undertone. "You tell them, Bet. I forgot they did not see the packet. I looked at it just now," and he turned his head aside; he hated to exhibit emotion. Poll and Georgie looked eagerly at their sister.

"It's wonderful," said she, with a deep sigh. "Oh, Lionel, are you sure? But you would never have said it if you were not sure. You don't fly at things as we do. And, of course, that would explain——"

"Explain what? What would explain? You might tell us," cried Georgie, shrilly, "instead of looking at each other and saying it's wonderful. We want to know what's 'wonderful' as well as you. And Lady Blanche looked at us all, not just at Bet, when she asked if we had never heard. She——"

"Be quiet; I am going to tell you." Bet silenced volubility, which seemed out of place, and jarred on her, as she could see it did on her brother. "Don't be so loud and noisy over it, you might guess it is not a thing to speak of. It—it has to do with our father," in the reverent tone with which that name was invariably pronounced by any of Colonel Colvin's children.

"Oh!" said Georgie, subdued at once.

"Among our dear father's papers which were sent home to Lionel," proceeded Bet, with a glance towards him, "there was a packet labelled 'Blanche.' Lionel showed it me. We did not know at first whether we ought to open it or not. But in the letter," she looked interrogatively, and they nodded apprehension.

(To be continued.)

IMPORTANT APPEAL CASE DECISION.

MORT'S DOCK COMPANY v. BALMAIN COUNCIL.

An important municipal assessment decision was given yesterday afternoon at the Balmain Municipal Appeal Court, which was held at the local courthouse before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M. The appeal was one arising from an assessment made by the municipal assessors to the borough of Balmain (Messrs. Garrard and Laws) on the Mort's Dock and Engineering Company's works. In past assessments only the company's buildings were rated as a borough revenue-producing source; but in 1899 the present assessors determined upon rating the graving dock and slips belonging to the company as profit-producing appurtenances. The hearing of the appeal took up a great deal of the morning and part of the afternoon, and the decision given by Mr. Wilshire has opened up an entirely new source of revenue to the suburban municipalities. Mr. Broomfield, instructed by Mr. Barry (Curtiss and Barry), appeared for the appellants, and Mr. Scholes, instructed by Mr. Stinson, appeared for the Balmain Borough Council. The council clerk (Mr. H. B. Macintosh) produced the appeal list. The assessors were both present in court. The assessment for 1900-1901 on the company's property, including the profits received from the dock and slip, was set down by the assessors at £7454. The appellants claimed that the dock and slip were not assessable for borough revenue purposes under the provisions of the Municipalities Act of 1897, and further set out that such assessment could not be made in accordance with the Act.

Before opening the case Mr. Broomfield took exception to the procedure followed by the Court, in which appellants, who only had the figures of the assessment placed before them, and did not know upon what grounds such assessment had been made, had to open the case and go into evidence to prove a negative, when they did not know what they had to contend against. He submitted that the system was wrong. After argument the objection was overruled by his Worship.

Mr. W. M. Burns, late borough assessor, was the first witness called, and gave evidence to the effect that he considered that £4000 was a fair rental value for assessment purposes. In answer to Mr. Scholes he stated that in his valuation he took the dock property as a going concern, but did not take into consideration the graving dock and slip. He assessed the whole property and no parts in particular.

Mr. J. P. Franki (managing director of Mort's Dock and Engineering Company) gave evidence. He had been manager of the company for 32 years. He considered the fair average rental value of the property would be £3000, but he was quite willing to allow last year's assessment of £4000, which had been arrived at by agreement between the company's legal representatives and the assessors, to stand as the assessment for the year. About fifteen years ago the property was leased to the P. and O. Company for £3000 a year. Since then a deal of improvements had been effected. A second slip, sawmill, and office had been added, besides which the dry dock had been lengthened by 280ft. He considered if the dock and slips were taken away the property would be practically worth nothing. He contended that the dock and slips were part and parcel of the tools and appliances of trade at the works, just as much as the shearlegs and steel hammer were.

Mr. Jacob Garrard, one of the assessors, stated that the assessment of last year was settled at £4000, subject to the assessors receiving this year certain information, which, however, on application, was refused them. He had known the dock for 32 years, and worked there for several years. The dock property had been vastly improved since the time of the P. and O. Company's lease, when an annual rental value of £3000 was received for it. The assessment arrangements of last year excluded the profits from the dock and slip, which this year he had included. On being refused the information sought for making the assessment he had only one course left open to him, and that was to make an estimate. On information which he had received from different sources he estimated, after deducting estimated amounts for labour, &c., the profits from the graving dock at £2550 per annum, and the slips at £1550.

Mr. W. J. Laws, co-assessor with the previous witness, agreed with Mr. Garrard's evidence on the whole. The average percentage obtained by property-holders in the suburb was from 6 to 9 per cent.

Mr. Scholes submitted that the only way to arrive at a fair assessment was for the officers to take the capital value of a property and find out what the landlord was likely to get for it. There was no more distinction in building a dock to hold a ship than to build a shed to hold an engine or cart.

Mr. Broomfield contended that the dock and slips were as much tools of trade as were the steel hammer and shearlegs, and that there was no provision in the Act for assessing going concerns or businesses. He submitted they were only liable under the Act for assessment on the buildings.

His Worship upheld the assessors' contention that the slips and graving dock were assessable for municipal revenue purposes, and fixed the assessment, under present conditions, at £6000.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

NARRABRI TO WALGETT RAILWAY.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works had under consideration yesterday the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Narrabri to Walgett. Mr. W. J. Trickett, M.L.C., presided.

Mr. H. Deane, Engineer-in-Chief, Railway Construction Branch, Department of Public Works, gave evidence. He said that the agitation in favour of the proposed line commenced in 1880. The country was recognised as one of the finest pastoral districts in the colony, and comprised a large area of the richest agricultural soil. In spite of the difficulties occasioned by bad roads and only intermittent water carriage by means of the Darling and Barwon rivers, the district had continued to grow in wealth and importance. Parliament had originally referred two routes to the committee, one from Narrabri to Pilliga and the other from Woolabra to Collarendabri, but both had been reported against. In deference to representations by the public of Wee Waa, the line now under consideration took that town in on the route. The official description of the line was as follows:—"Length, main line, 104 miles 59·45 chains; branch, 51 miles 2·72 chains. Estimated cost, main line, £316,286, or £3020 per mile; branch line, £189,273, or £3679 per mile—exclusive of land and compensation. The line begins at the west end of Narrabri West station at 252 miles 13 chains from Newcastle, and proceeds, more or less, parallel to the south of the Namoi River to Wee Waa. Here it crosses the river, and follows a course generally parallel to Pian Creek to within about 20 miles of Walgett, where, after passing through Euris Eurie, the line terminates at the northern side of the Namoi River at 356 miles 72·45 chains from Newcastle. The branch to Collarendabri leaves the line described at Burren, at 302 miles 35·18 chains from Newcastle, and proceeds north-north-westerly to Thalaba Creek, after crossing which it follows generally the county boundary between Denham and Benarba, and crossing the Barwon River reaches Collarendabri at 353 miles 38·90 chains from Newcastle. The country is flat throughout on both lines, and the works light with flat grades." The Railway Commissioners estimated the cost of construction as follows:—Narrabri West to Walgett, £290,732; branch to Collarendabri, £174,822; Narrabri East to Walgett, 111 miles, £303,835. The estimated annual cost of the line from Narrabri West to Walgett and Collarendabri was £26,836; that of the line from Narrabri East to Walgett and Collarendabri was placed at £27,230. The estimated revenue was in the case of the line commencing at Narrabri West, £13,014, and for the alternative route from Narrabri East, £13,612. The Commissioners were of opinion that the best interests of the producers and the country generally would be served by connecting Walgett with Coonamble, and constructing the line from Narrabri to Collarendabri along the south bank of the Namoi River as far as Wee Waa, and thence across the river to Collarendabri, and suggested the advisability of a reconsideration of the route after leaving Wee Waa, with the view to it being determined whether it is possible to make it more direct, and thus reduce the cost of construction. While they still adhered to the opinion expressed in 1889 in favour of the connection of Walgett with Coonamble, the Commissioners concluded as follows:—"It is evident, however, that the great preponderance of local opinion is in favour of junctioning with the north-western line at Narrabri, which would provide direct communication with Maitland and Newcastle, as well as with Sydney. Geographically, the proposed line would seem to belong to the northern system, and Newcastle has always been regarded as the natural outlet and shipping port for all the northern and north-western parts of the colony, while Maitland has for the last 50 years been their principal trade emporium."

The committee then proceeded with the consideration of its report on the proposed improvements at Glebe Island, and afterwards adjourned till to-day.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES RETURN.

The Department of Public Health supplies the following returns for the fortnight ended April 22:—

	Typhoid Fever.		Scarlet Fever.		Diphtheria.	
	Cases.	Died.	Cases.	Died.	Cases.	Died.
Metropolitan Combined Districts	52	4	10	—	12	—
Hunter River Combined Districts	25	—	13	—	2	—
Remainder of Colony	167	18	14	—	18	—
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LAW REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, Chief Judge in Equity.)

A QUESTION OF FORECLOSURE

National Mutual Life Association v. Benjamin and others (part heard).

On the application of respondents, the further hearing of this suit was adjourned sine die for the production of additional affidavits, which his Honor directed should be filed and served within a fortnight.

SUIT FOR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.

Pritchard v. Hay and another.

Mr. Want, Q.C., and Dr. Cullen, instructed by Mr. A. Weaver, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., Mr. Laugen, and Mr. Langer Owen, instructed by Messrs. Norton, Smith, and Co., for the defendants. This was a suit brought by Edward Pritchard against John Hay and the Hon. James Norton to obtain a decree ordering the defendants to specifically perform an agreement made on December 9, 1896, for the sale of 3 acres 1 rood and 11 perches of land known as "Swain's paddock" and the "Pound paddock," situated near Coolangatta. According to the plaintiff's statement of claim, it appeared that defendants are trustees and executors of the will of the late David Berry, of Coolangatta, and on March 3, 1896, plaintiff commenced a suit against them setting up an agreement by the defendants, as such trustees, to sell to plaintiff 600 acres of land, or thereabouts, vested in them as trustees of the will, and a further agreement by the defendants as such trustees to sell to the plaintiff a further portion of the estate, also containing 600 acres, and separated from the former portion by a drain forming part of the drainage system established by the defendants on the estate, and known as the main drain. Plaintiff also asked for a decree in regard to the liability of the defendants to maintain the drainage system, to account for certain rents, and also to compensate plaintiff for alleged breach of another agreement as to the carrying out of certain work and the supply of material in connection with plaintiff's use of the purchased land. The suit came on for hearing on December 9, 1896, when a settlement was arrived at, which provided, among other things, for the conveyance to Mr. Pritchard of all land as shown on the June plan as per vendors' certificate of title, but subject to the reservation out of the first sale of the strip of land where the council-chambers stand, about 2 acres, coloured yellow on the plan, which was handed up to the Judge. A dispute subsequently arose between the plaintiff and defendants as to the quantity of land included in the reservation provided for in the agreement. The council-chambers mentioned in the agreement stand on a piece of land fenced in by itself, and containing 2 acres and 37 perches, and was separated by a road and fence from two other enclosed paddocks, which together contain 3 acres 1 rood and 11 perches, and are known as "Swain's paddock," and the "Pound paddock" respectively. These two paddocks, as well as the road dividing them from the council-chambers, were also coloured yellow on the plan handed up to the Judge, and defendants contended that they were included in the reservation, and refused to execute any transfer to the plaintiff of the land included in the paddocks referred to. The plaintiff on the other hand claimed that the agreement entitled him to a transfer of the 3 acres 1 rood and 11 perches, and that this was so understood when the agreement was made, and he now asked the Court to decree specific performance of the agreement of December 9, 1896, and the execution of a transfer to the plaintiff of Swain's and the Pound paddocks, plaintiff being ready and willing to perform the agreement so far as the same remained unperformed on his part. He also asked that the defendants or their attorneys be restrained from selling or otherwise dealing with the land to the prejudice of the plaintiff.

The defendants, in their statement of defence, said that they never agreed to sell or convey to the plaintiff any portion of the land coloured yellow on the eastern side of the road, and that if it was possible to put such a construction as the plaintiff put on the terms of the agreement, they submitted that the Court would not in its discretion enforce against them a compromise to which they never would have agreed if they had understood the alleged effect of the words used, and which they never authorised their counsel or solicitor and never intended to agree to. The agreement did not entitle the plaintiff to a transfer of the 3 acres 1 rood and 11 perches, and they denied that it was so understood when the agreement was made. Defendants further submitted that the plaintiff's description of the land was inaccurate, that other statements in his statement of claim were also incorrect, and that he was not always ready and willing to perform his part of the agreement.

The case stands part heard.

(Before Mr. Justice Walker.)

SUIT TO SET ASIDE A MORTGAGE.

Rain v. Fullerton and others (part heard).

Mr. Gordon and Mr. Bethune, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson (for Messrs. Alexander and Windeyer, of Hay), appeared for the plaintiff, Samuel John Rain; Mr. Knox, instructed by Messrs. Fisher and Macansh, for the Australian Joint Stock Bank; and Mr. Hanbury Davies, instructed by Messrs. M'Kenzie and M'Kenzie (for Mr. S. M. Raff, of Hillston), for the other defendants. This was a suit brought by Samuel John Rain against James Macbeth Fullerton, Henry John Charles Terry, and the Australian Joint Stock Bank for a decree to set aside a mortgage and certain promissory notes given in connection with some homestead leases in the district of Hillston, claimed to be the property of the plaintiff.

The case is still unfinished.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. Arthur Henry.)

EXAMINATION UNDER SECTION 30.

Re Charles Hercules Waterhouse. The examination of the bankrupt by Mr. A. W. Nathan was continued, and Charles Waterhouse, father of the bankrupt, was also examined. Witnesses were directed to attend on May 2 next, when their depositions would be read over to them.

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re Arthur Poole. On the motion of Mr. Moffitt, who appeared for the bankrupt, the application was adjourned to May 9.

Re James M'Keown. Mr. A. W. Nathan appeared for the bankrupt. The report of the official assignee was read, and also an affidavit in reply by the bankrupt. The bankrupt made an offer to pay £2 per month for five years to his official assignee for the benefit of his creditors, and the application was adjourned to May 9, the official assignee to submit the offer to the creditors in the meantime.

Re Thomas Wilcocks. Mr. Castle appeared for the bankrupt. As the bankrupt's affidavit in reply to the official assignee's report was only filed that morning, and he was required for examination, the application was adjourned to May 9.

Re Edmund Sands Hogan. The applicant did not appear, and the application was adjourned to May 2.

Re Peter Matthews. This application was adjourned to May 9.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

The following meetings were adjourned to the dates given:—Amos Gosper, sine die; Roderick William Morrison, May 23; Sharon Marshall, May 2; L. Leman, sine die; Horace Love, May 16.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Re Thomas V. Mudge. The bankrupt was present, but on the application of the official assignee the examination was adjourned to May 2.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

John Percy Houghton, of Adelong, miner. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.
Joseph Smith, of Bulli, miner. Mr. N. F. Giblin, official assignee.
Robert M'Intyre, of Reso. Mr. N. F. Giblin, official assignee.
John Riddell, of Lithgow and Bathurst, draper and clothier. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Murray and juries.)
Mr. W. L. Merewether, Crown prosecutor.

ACQUITTAL.

James Anderson pleaded not guilty to charges that on December 20, 1899, and February 14, 1900, he did commit serious assaults upon a girl of the age of 11 years and 3 months at Chatswood. Mr. G. H. Reid, Q.C., instructed by Messrs. Wallace and Son, appeared for accused.

Evidence for prosecution and defence occupied the whole day. Mr. G. H. Reid, in the course of his cross-examination, succeeded in establishing some material contradictions in the evidence for the prosecution. Accused was given a very good character. Addresses by counsel and the summing-up by his Honor occupied a considerable time. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and accused was discharged.

The Court adjourned to 10 a.m. the following day.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Thursday, April 26.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10.15 a.m.: Pritchard v. Hay, part heard. Before his Honor Mr. Justice Walker.—At 10.30 a.m.: Rain v. Fullerton, part heard.

Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Company and Lunacy matters. At 11 a.m.: Sinclair v. Elderton, to proceed on accounts. At 12 noon: Re Estate of T. S. Mort and Conveyancing and L. and P. Act, to settle draft lease. At 12.30 p.m.: Mount Ewrow Copper-mining Company and Companies Act, for directions. Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Hill v. Foley, to tax costs.

Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity, at 10 a.m.—Lunacy matters.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary: Ford v. M'Kechnie, 11; Farmers and Dairymen's Milk Company, Limited, v. Morley, 11.30. Before the Chief Clerk: Re gent., one, &c., ex parte Huxham, 10.30; re gent., one, &c., ex parte Kirchner, 2.30.

Prothonotary's Office, April 25, 1900.—Notice.—It is hereby intimated that all parties must be prepared to proceed on Monday next, the 30th instant, with the motions for rules nisi for new trial which are entered in the Term paper for the ensuing second term; and notice must be given to the Prothonotary on or before the 28th instant of all intended motions for confirmation on the first day of next Term.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Deputy Registrar, to pass accounts: James Eggins, 10.45; Robert Prattley, 11; Elizabeth M. Edward, 11.30; Grills, 12; Pearse, 12.15.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar, at 11 a.m. Certificate applications: George Elliott, James Pugh, H. J. Perrett, Alfred Edward Wamsley, Thomas Hardy. Motions for release of estate: William Percival, Ann Elizabeth Curnow (and William Curnow, ex parte Ann Elizabeth Curnow). Single meetings: Frank Lay Onus, William Norman, Charles Reynolds, Ralph A. Miller. Re William Buttel, public examination; re Henry James Ferrett, examination section 30; re Martin Zobel. Ex parte Thomas Croudace, motion under section 138, subsection 3.

DISTRICT COURT.—Thursday, April 26. Before the Registrar, at 10.30 a.m.—Lough v. Jago.

QUARTER SESSIONS.—Thursday, April 26. Adolph Spangenberg, false pretences; Sidney Alderson, forgery and uttering; James Eather, embezzlement.

POLICE COURTS.

Committed for Trial.—At the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., John Johnson, 32, labourer, was committed for trial on a charge of stealing a watch and chain, 12s in money, and a pipe from Michael M'Cullagh. Bail was allowed.

Breach of the Liquor Act.—In the Summons Division of the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. W. Edwards, S.M., Sub-Inspector Potter proceeded against Rebecca Milton, licensee of the Bristol Arms Hotel, Sussex-street, upon a charge of keeping her house open for the sale of liquor on Sunday, April 8. A fine of 40s was imposed, together with costs 5s 6d, levy and distress.

WATER LICENSING COURT.

The weekly meeting of the Water Licensing Court was held yesterday before Messrs. C. Delohery, S.M. (chairman), and F. Penny, L.M. The following transfers of publicans' licenses were granted:—Robert Dabron to Robert H. Phillips, Waverley Hotel, Waverley; Eric Sutherland to Alexander Dunning, Union Hotel, Margaret and Kent streets; William Matthew Brennan to Robert S. Moxham, Club House Hotel, Bondi; Charles J. Jolliffe to Cabel Basson, Commercial Hotel, Balmain. The application of Thomas O'Keefe to carry on business in temporary premises, Bayview-street, Woolloomooloo, was granted for three months. The Bench also dealt with a number of music permits and booth licenses.

MUNICIPAL APPEAL COURTS.

BALMAIN.

Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., presided over the annual appeal court held yesterday at the Balmain Police Court to hear and determine appeals lodged against the recent assessment made on behalf of the Balmain Council, of property in that borough, by Messrs. J. Garrard and W. J. Laws as assessors. Altogether there were 72 appellants, representing 125 assessments, of which 103 were dealt with by the valuers at a friendly appeal court held by them and the appellants, leaving 22 for the magistrate to decide; 18 of this number were upheld and 4 reduced. Of the 103 which were amicably settled by valuers and appellants, 17 were allowed to stand and 86 were slightly reduced.

THE CRESWELL COMMISSION.

RESULT OF THE INQUIRY.

The Premier has received the report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the case of William Creswell. The decision of the commission is as follows:—

"1. The commission are of opinion that although it has been contended and indeed sought to be proved that the patient is the missing heir to the Tichborne estates, the evidence before them is insufficient to enable them to declare him to be the lost Tichborne; in their opinion he is William Creswell. This conclusion has been arrived at after careful consideration of the evidence adduced at the inquiry by the select committee, and a full consideration of that sworn before the Royal Commission. 2. The inquiries of the select committee and the Royal Commission have proved justifiable as having had the effect of fixing the important and much-vexed question of the identity of the patient now an inmate of the Parramatta Lunatic Asylum. 3. With regard to the question of the patient's sanity, the commission are of opinion that he is of sufficiently sound mind to be released from the asylum, provided the customary bond for his safe keeping and proper treatment be entered into by the person now seeking to obtain his release. In keeping with this view of the matter, the commission recommend that it is expedient that the said William Creswell, the subject of their said inquiry, be set at liberty forthwith."

There is an objection by Mr. Meagher to clause 3 of the decision of the commission, as follows:—"As I am satisfied that the subject of this inquiry is no other than William Creswell, and am also satisfied that, though perfectly harmless, he is afflicted with chronic dementia, and being of opinion that his present excellent condition of health is attributable to the good care and treatment he is receiving at Parramatta Asylum, I fail to see what good object can be obtained by releasing him to Mr. Priestman (whom, by the way, I regard as thoroughly estimable) or to any other person. While I appreciate philanthropic motives, there is in evidence an avowed intention to take him to England (Q. 682), in my judgment (based on Mr. Priestman's admission and course of action) for no other purpose than to make Creswell a pivot upon which fresh litigation will be initiated in respect to the claiming of estates in which he has not the remotest interest. If I had the slightest doubt as to his identity as Creswell I would readily assent to clause 3. Holding this view, I respectfully differ from my fellow commissioners in respect to the recommendation for release."

CANTERBURY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

OPENING BY THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION.

The Canterbury Superior Public School for Girls was yesterday formally opened by Mr. J. Perry, Minister for Public Instruction, in the presence of a large assemblage of ladies and gentlemen.

The building, which is a substantial two-story structure of brick, with every modern appliance for the comfort of pupils and teachers, was started about six months ago under the direction of Mr. J. S. Wigram, architect of the Department of Public Instruction. Mr. D. M'Donald was the contractor. The ground floor is devoted to the instruction of the infants, under the care of Miss Simpson; the upper story is set apart for the elder children, who are under the care of the principal of the institution, Miss Lucas. Two hundred children are on the rolls at present.

The Minister for Education was met at the station by the Mayor of Canterbury (Mr. Jeffrey Dennis), who was accompanied by Mrs. Dennis, and by the council clerk, Mr. Benjamin Taylor, and Mrs. Taylor. With Mr. Perry were Messrs. Macintyre and Lobban, deputy chief inspector and district inspector respectively.

At the school gates the party was met by the cadet corps of the local boys' school, who played a selection of music during the proceedings.

The chairman of the afternoon was Mr. Dennis (Mayor of Canterbury), who, after apologising for the absence of several friends, expressed his gratification at the presence of the Minister for Education. The speaker commented upon certain aspects wherein Australia might be viewed as connected with the British Empire. In the name of the citizens of Canterbury he welcomed Mr. Perry to the town. (Cheers.)

Mr. D. Macintyre, deputy chief inspector, delivered a short address upon the importance of the school to the public, especially in connection with its deterrent effect upon crime. The speaker gave a short history of the establishment of the Canterbury institution, and complimented the architect of the department on the able manner in which he had carried out the work. He also offered a meed of praise to the Rev. G. Dunkley and the Rev. T. Jenkyn, who had the spiritual welfare of the children in charge. (Hear, hear.)

The Minister for Public Instruction, who was greeted with applause, formally declared the building open. In the course of his remarks he said that he liked to witness the construction and opening of schools personally. In matters educational he was pleased to note that the State was doing really good work, not only for the children, but for itself as well. (Cheers.) Mr. Perry eulogised the system of technical education as of great advantage to the youth of the present day, and in this direction, too, the Government was doing good work. Turning to the question of the day, Mr. Perry said he was glad to note that Mafeking was to be relieved by Australians—at least they would be well to the fore. (Cheers.) In conclusion, the Minister addressed a few words of friendly counsel to the children.

The Rev. George Dunkley proposed a vote of thanks to the Minister for Education and to all those who had contributed to the erection of the handsome building opened that day. Mr. Dunkley apologised for the absence of his co-worker, Mr. Jenkyn, who was unavoidably absent. Alderman Quigg seconded the motion, which was carried with acclamation.

Mr. Perry, Mr. Lobban, and Mr. Wigram, of the Education Department, suitably responded.

"The Mayor, Aldermen, and School Board" was proposed by Mr. G. H. Rogers, to which sentiment the Mayor responded.

A vote of thanks to the chair, proposed by Mr. R. B. Parry, brought the proceedings to a close.

During the afternoon several choruses were well rendered by the children under the direction of Miss Lucas. Calisthenic exercises were also a portion of the programme.

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AT LADYSMITH.

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CHRISTMAS TIME.

FACETIOUS BOERS.

PLUM PUDDING INSIDE A SHELL.

AN AUDACIOUS VEDETTE.

BOERS' CAMPING PLACE.

THE NAVALS' HURRICANE.

FOUR SHOTS IN TWENTY SECONDS.

THOSE WHO DIE IN BATTLE.

PITIFUL PATHOS.

"LIVE-DEAD" BOERS.

HOSPITALS SANS COMFORTS.

PATIENTS DYING FROM STARVATION.

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XIII.

LADYSMITH, New Year's Day.

Although humour is not the strong point of the Boer, he had his grim joke at our expense during Christmas week. A common shell was dug out, upon which a Dutch artilleryman, with some knowledge of English, and the social observances of the time, had cut the message, "Compliments of the season." A wooden plug had been substituted for the fuse, and the shell was stuffed with plum pudding. It was a characteristic Dutch pleasantry, for the practical joke is the Boer's ideal in fun. On Christmas eve a dare-devil vedette crept down in the dark quite close to the Manchesters' ridge, emptied his clip of bullets into them, and called out, "A Merry Christmas, Rooineks." Our men tried to cut him off, but he was too clever. Our acknowledgment of the plum pudding courtesy was barbarous in the extreme. The vedettes had brought in word that every evening at dark a number of Boers were accustomed to come round to the end of the Bulwan, and camp for the night in the dense grove of kaffir thorn at its foot, directly under their own guns. The object was the double one of getting better shelter from the frequent thunderstorms, and massing men in a convenient place to resist a possible night attack on their guns. They left early each morning, before firing commenced, but Captain Lambton, of the Powerful, asked permission to give them a few shells on the morning of the 28th, and as soon as there was enough light to lay a gun on the thorn plot the Navals opened with a swift and sudden storm of metal. There had been heavy rain during the night, the air was clear and the moon still luminous, when the crash of our guns brought the people of Ladysmith tumbling out of bed in the fond hope that the relief column, so often in their minds, was at length within their field of vision, for the echo of the few guns rolling, ringing, crashing down the valley made the sound of a general engagement. Those at Intombi Spruit, who were close enough to see the result of the fire, say that it must have been disastrous. They saw one man—the first riser in the Boer camp—walk out into the open and stretch his arms. He heard our shot, and turned to look at the redoubt above him; then realised that it was coming his way, and tried to dart for shelter. He was too late, and when they saw him last, as the shell burst, he was whirling through the air. Four shots were fired in about 20 seconds—a proof of what the Powerful guns could do with ammunition plentiful; and then it was all over, and a crowd of Boers were hurriedly saddling up, and flying round the shoulder of the mountain. After all, it only squared a debt standing over from the day before. The Liverpools had had so little respite in their exposed position that a few days earlier the Devons took their trenches on the nearest ridge to the Bulwan guns. The officers of the regiment were sitting in their traverse on Wednesday morning, when a Dutch shell just cleared the edge, killed Captain Dalziel, who was seated at a camp table writing a letter home, and wounded nine other officers, two of them severely. Poor Dalziel's body was a shocking spectacle, for the shell took his head clean off. All through Wednesday night there was the crackle of rifle fire, very heavy at one time upon the Devons' post, though what they could see to fire at just then was a mystery, for the rain was falling in tropical flakes, and 6ft. away it was impossible to distinguish anyone in the dense blackness. These wet nights in the trenches are very trying to both sides; trying also to the poor Kaffirs and coolies, who go out in hundreds to cut grass under cover of the darkness, and so eke out our short supply of forage, and feed the milking cows that are such a boon to the hospitals. Though every scrap of grass has been eaten away round about the town, there is a splendid crop, that has been growing untouched for months, in the belt of debatable ground between the Boer outposts and our own. A few nights ago Lord Cadogan, going out with the grass-cutters, lost his way in the darkness, and at dawn found himself much nearer to the Boer lines than our own. He would probably have been shot in trying to get back, and wisely determined to lie by in a donga all day, and reach his own lines on the following night. His friends, who assumed that he had been captured by the enemy, were immensely pleased to see him back again.

DEAD ON THE FIELD.

To those who have had their baptism of fire in Ladysmith for this last 60 days, no horrors that war can offer will now appal—inventive and original as war is in designing the gruesome. Death from shell is not death alone, but butchery; while most of the dead I saw at Tinta Inyoni and the fight of Lombard's Kop were just sleeping with their faces almost always to the veldt. And if the faces be hidden one is soon accustomed to the brown figures lying so limply and so flat amongst the grass that but for the gleam of a rifle barrel or a bayonet or the glitter of the chain epaulettes on the shoulders of a Lancer one might suppose them bundles of clothes thrown down carelessly. But there is always the one ghastly distinction between those who die in bed and those who die in battle, especially where the circumstances do not permit of an early burial. There is no tender hand to close the eyelids or bind with the face-cloths, so that the dead have that blessed aspect of serene sleep. With these poor neglected dead of the battle-field the chin has fallen as the facial muscles relaxed in death, and the mouth and eyes are generally wide open. The vignettes of the dead which photograph themselves most firmly upon the mind are those in which the pose suggests some action of the living. These will stay with us as long, I think, as life and memory last—such a pitiful pathos is blended somehow with their dead helplessness. Twice now we have found dead Boers sitting in their little hill redoubts, and coming to them from behind the only conclusion was that they were still alive and waiting for the enemy. I saw the second one on a kopje of Tinta Inyoni. He was sitting with his back supported by a rock, and in the aperture of the little breast-work in front of him rested the muzzle of his rifle; on a flat rock handy to his right hand were the rows of Mauser bullets in clips of five as they are pushed into the magazine. From the rear was no suggestion of death, save the black stain of blood upon his left hand; but from the front the same staring eyes and open mouth that haunt one, and kill every feeling of exultation in the downfall of the enemy. The views of battle are necessarily distant, but these are impressions that fix themselves by repetition. You rarely see men fall, that is, infantry. They go down quickly with the suddenness of the shock, and the first sight you have of them is the man left lying upon the grass as the fighting line moves on. Then there is nothing more characteristic in action than the swing of the kilt, with its pendulum-like accuracy, as the Highlanders go forward to the assault, never hurrying, never slowing down, but always with that regular, irresistible, unswerving stride. It is an illusion of the bright sunlight—something corresponding to our mid-Australian mirage, which always makes the horses of the retreating Boers appear to be rolling away from us rather than galloping, though we have had few such impressions of late. Where there has been a heavy loss in horses the poor wounded brutes are ever raising their heads from the ground in pain, and letting them fall back again—an appeal which brings only a merciful revolver bullet to end their sufferings.

HOSPITAL SCENES.

Anything that has occurred in actual fight here pales, though, beside the sufferings of the hundreds of fever patients in the hospital at Intombi Spruit. Only those who know with what care the patient convalescing from typhoid is fed and nurtured can realise the suffering where every medical comfort is exhausted; no stimulants, jellies, beef teas—nothing fitted for the starving sufferer but the smallest ration of tinned milk. Doctors grow despondent at times, and almost break down with the strain of unceasing labour, with none of the aids that science and civilisation bestow. Scores of men, I am told, have died of sheer starvation—it is a hundred times worse than anything we have suffered from shell. The plight of the well and ablebodied is bad enough, but insignificant by comparison with the occupants of these overcrowded hospitals, where one doctor has as many as 40 patients and 40 convalescents to look after. As far as possible, the men in camp assist in fatigue work, 70 of them being employed as orderlies, and assistance is needed, for at present there is not more than one nurse to every 60 patients. Worse still, the medical chests are getting low, and many of the more valuable drugs are already exhausted; while, owing to the great scarcity of milk, the doctors, as I have already hinted, are heroically struggling to coax typhoid patients back to health on a diet of rice or barley water. Were these things known on the Tugela there would surely be greater expedition. Rations have become scarce, and many are unable to obtain more than a little rice and mealie meal for porridge. Others are more fortunate in getting beef and bread. The ingenious shifts to secure tobacco are amusing only as against the more vital needs. The man with a pipe is fortunate in being able to secure Boer tobacco—the home-grown, home-cured leaf, which the Boers prepare by first soaking it in the juice of peaches, and then working it into rolls. It has a great fascination for smokers and when once accustomed to it they never again use American tobacco. The hunt for cigars is eternal, and a few death-head weeds are picked up occasionally in the coolie shops, even the butts of which are broken up and rolled as cigarettes.

HELIOGRAPHING PUERILITIES.

On the evening of December 28 there were no fewer than three searchlights working round about Ladysmith—two of them from Boer stations, and one from General Buller's column. A dark night and an inky sky were favourable to signalling, and never before had we seen the relief column light to such advantage. It threw a broad strong yellow beam against the clouds, and it was difficult to believe that this light was generated between 20 and 30 miles away. So distinct was the signalling that even the novice in telegraphy could read the dot and dash of the Morse code without a possibility of mistake. The Boers fanned it persistently with both their lights, but it had about as much effect as a tallow candle on the sun. Never were there such opportunities for signalling the news we were all anxious to hear, and when a telegraph operator suddenly observed, "That is not a code message; I can read it," we waited in breathless expectation while he slowly spelled out, "Ask Wilton, of the 5th Lancers, whether he remembers the name of my place in Scotland." Nobody spoke for an instant; then several swore. We had assumed so much from this midnight wrestle of the electric lights. Our countrymen, anxious to arrange a joint plan of operations with the besieged, were making the most of this black night, and the Boers, knowing the importance of the operations, were doing their best to baulk them. What else could one assume? Yet, in plain fact, we were exchanging the merest flippancies, judging by the tenor of the message already given. We read one more—"A happy New Year to the Mayor of Ladysmith"—and then went sulkily to bed. The world was moving on, and this one town was not in it. There were so many things that would have interested everyone, and some intellectual officer of her Majesty's forces was frittering away the opportunities in asking the name of his own property, or in passing on a compliment that from the very nature of things here was just a cruel satire. It quite rivalled the plum-pudding feat of the Dutch gunners. At 3 o'clock on the morning of December 30, while it was still raining hard, we could hear again the distant roar of the guns on the Tugela, and the popular inference was that General Buller, fearing the floods and a blocked route, was by a night attack making good his footing on the north bank of the Tugela. One has full liberty to infer about these things, but it is useless to waste time in inquiry. On rare occasions, when a native runner brings through a newspaper, it has full accounts of operations on the western border, a good deal more or less authentic as to our own experiences in Ladysmith, but of that ever-increasing British force on the Tugela, in whose movements we are most concerned—nothing. General Buller has refused to let the runners return, knowing that they can carry news to the Boers as well as to Ladysmith. Every bright day the heliograph on the brow of Wesnan's Hill, 40 miles off, blinks away merrily as usual. Weeks ago, when we saw it first, it was a star of hope; now it only exasperates us. I saw a letter brought through to an officer here from a friend in the other column. It bore neither date nor place, and the writer said, "I should like to tell you where I am, but cannot do so." When a newspaper gets through it goes first to the general, and is then returned to the Intelligence Department, where a brief summary is made of the contents and the announcement posted at the post-office.

MY WONDERFUL LUCK.

It is New Year's Eve, and the Boer guns are just firing their usual good night, and it is estimated that since they shut us in here they have fired 8000 rounds of shell. That estimate is, I think, a bit over the mark; still, making the most liberal deduction, it is a lot of iron to have thrown upon one small town. I should say that 3000 rounds have been fired from the 6in. guns, or 90-pounders, 2000 rounds from the 4in. howitzers, or 40-pounders, and 2000 from the 3in. and smaller ordnance, from which, however, I except the one-pounder Nordenfeldt as not being a siege gun, and used as a rule only upon our outposts or the Devons' ridge. Personally, I have had wonderful luck. We are in the direct line of the Bulwan guns, and I suppose 1000 rounds of shell have passed directly overhead since the siege began. Some have gone 20 yards over us, some 20 yards to either side—we could muster, perhaps, 50 90-pounders within a radius of 40 yards—yet, save for the rattle of shrapnel on the roofs, our bedrooms have not been hit, and the only shell that was short, and might have done mischief, buried itself without bursting. Beyond us to the town ridge every building has been hit, some of them half a dozen times, and the whole of the open place strewn with shells. Considering our position in the line of fire, our luck has been just phenomenal. On New Year's morning especially the big shells were hissing almost within reach, it seemed, yet we are so familiar with their music that we can resist the impulse to duck after the shot has passed, and that takes long experience or stern self-discipline. We bowed, perhaps, to one or two this morning, just after we had seen an officer's orderly cut in two within 20 yards—for such sights, though familiar, are shocking, and always temporarily unsettling to the nerves. Soon after midnight the firing began—cannon, machine, and rifles—and continued in an intermittent spluttering fashion all night. We had no ears, though, for anything close at hand; it was the far-away boom, heavier than ever on this early morning of 1900, that interested us. But we have ceased to expect much; we only wait, and in the meantime things are said that I dare not repeat here. It would be high treason. The civilian element in this camp is hard to please. True, as they point out, people are dying weekly by scores for want of the common necessaries of life—at any rate, of hospital life—but, on the other hand, we have to-day a military sports meeting. And if milk be a trifle scarce, we need only take a hint from French history, and drink champagne.

A TANTALISING MESSAGE.

I must not omit a message sent in by the Boers as a New Year's greeting. It read, "You d——d cowards, why don't you come out of your holes and fight us?" The obvious reply was the old schoolboy invitation, "You come half-way." They found Colonel Frank Rhodes again on New Year's Day, a shot going through his house and killing a servant who was just preparing breakfast. An officer of the Lancers was sleeping in the house, and the explosion fairly buried him in shattered timber. A door thrown fairly on top of him protected him from the fusillade of brick and splinter. When they pulled the timber off him he was rubbing the dust out of his eyes, quite unhurt. That house was one of the first hit from Pepworth's early in the siege, and on the same day a room occupied by Mr. Pearce, of the "Daily News," was also gutted. Here was the coincidence. On New Year's Day Mr. Pearce's room was again wrecked by a 70-pounder. Three of the correspondents—Steevens, of the "Daily Mail," M'Hugh, of the "Telegraph," and Mitchell, of the "Standard," are down with enteric fever. Of the heroes of the Jameson raid we hear little. Dr. Jameson is living quietly in a cottage in town, and is rarely seen. Sir John Willoughby occupies himself with shell-gathering and gardening. Most of the others are in the Imperial Light Horse—a corps so detested by the Dutch that they send all prisoners from it to the gaol at Pretoria, while others have a fair degree of liberty on the racecourse.

THE ENVY OF EVERY BOY IN TOWN.

Living in the next room to me now is Private Edmonds, a young Englishman, of the Border Mounted Rifles, whose escape from death is one of the miracles of the siege, fruitful as the time and occasion have been of hair breadth ventures. In the very centre of his broad chest is a red indentation, the spot where a Mauser bullet passed through his lungs. A little lower on the body is a red mark, the point of entrance of another Mauser bullet that raked his body and came out in the thigh without smashing a bone. He lay for days almost pulseless, with ashen blue swollen lips, and the doctors had already allotted his bed to another wounded man. A severe attack of pleurisy followed the wound in the lungs, and he was almost convalescent when, in the midst of one of the tremendous thunderstorms so frequent during the Natal summer, the electric current struck the hospital tent, and Edmonds, who was lying with his hand resting on the tent pole, was again nearly killed by the shock. He got his wounds in the fight at Bester's Farm, which we officially call by that convenient name for failures, a reconnaissance, but which, inasmuch as cavalry, artillery, and infantry were in action, and a general officer commanded, was really an engagement. One of the heroes of the campaign I may have mentioned earlier—the bugler boy of the 5th Lancers, who after sounding the charge at Elands Laagte, drew his revolver, rode into the thick of it on his colonel's flank, and shot four Boers in less than as many minutes. There is no doubt about it, for the colonel saw the feat, and has mentioned the youngster—who is only 14, and small for his years—in despatches, while scores of officers have each given the boy a sovereign for his pluck. Prancing down the streets of Ladysmith he is the envy of every boy in town, and he knows it. Time hangs heavily on the garrison now that the brief excitement of the Christmas and New Year is past, and the only variation to the day's duty of lying behind the stone sangars and ducking to the Dutch shells is the gruesome task of grave-digging. That exercise is always with us, for of the garrison of 10,000 fighting men that the Boers shut in here at the end of last October not more than 7000 are efficient. Those figures alone show how urgent is the need for relief, yet we watch and wait and listen all in vain. For days past we have heard nothing of Buller's guns—not even that faint, far-away roll which at least gave promise of a good time coming—though coming slowly. If in this town there are narrow-minded, nervous people, whose belief in England's might has been shaken, who shall blame them? If ever those who with something of the blend of the fatalist and the martyr place themselves wholly in the keeping of God and their countrymen, cannot at times fathom a plan of action which condemns them to stagnation and death, be not too hard on their transgression you far-off critics who sleep in peace and have three wholesome meals a day. Round about them every day they see despondency, mutilation, and sickness, pestilence almost, and death, and these are not things to stiffen the sinews of the weak-kneed or buttress the faith of the heart-sick and smitten. But the relief columns are coming, not one but many. As our M.S. journal, the "Bombshell," on one of its rare appearances, satirically parodies:—

"The columns are coming from near and far,
The columns are coming from Helpmakaar,
The columns are coming from Frere and Van Reenan,
But no one on earth knows where they are."

In the meantime we aspire to a record, and are creeping up to such historic sieges as Paris and Plevna and Pretoria, when aforetime it was held against the Boers by a British garrison. It has quite reached the acute stage, where the pop of sodawater cork brings men right-about-face much quicker than the bursting of a 90-pounder. "What had you for dinner to-day, doctor?" I asked one of the ambulance staff. "Maize meal and gravy," he answered. They had been served with meat, but it was the tough, sinewy flesh of an old transport ox that had trekked over half Africa, opening up roads for civilisation and field guns, and was too awful to tackle in cold blood. The best thing is to chop it and mangle it, and coax as much gravy out of it as possible to help down the unsophisticated mealies, and in doubtful kindness to throw the carcase to the dogs. When an officer—and especially a commissariat officer—begins a series of kindly inquiries as to your dietary scale, ending with the innocent observation, "How are you off for tinned stuff?" the common practice is to lie bluntly, but with some regard of course to verisimilitude. "We had a fair stock, but, unfortunately, we've just finished it." To acknowledge the possession of anything in the way of preserves is to have it commandeered, and, if you are in luck, to get a little of it back as luxuries. It is a selfish, grasping town, with everyone striving for himself, and the only excuse "Who made it so?" The horses cannot stand the pinch much longer. Forage of the kind one would not use to thatch a pig's pen in Australia is almost gone—they are eking it out on a small measure of maize and bran, and that cannot last much longer.

CONCERNING ENGLISHMEN.

No news that has filtered through to us during the siege caused a more regretful sensation in Ladysmith than the bare announcement by heliograph that Mr. Harry Escombe was dead. The leader of the Opposition in the Natal Assembly, he was by far the strongest man in the colony, and everyone looked forward expectantly to his figuring prominently in the discussion of those great national questions which will face the whole of the South African States upon the conclusion of the war. Natal has no other man with even the promise of greatness, the Premier (Colonel Hime) being a soldier politician of the Crown colony days, who has got past the stage of ambition and hard work. There are earnest men and good workers in the Government of the colony, amongst them C. B. Lloyd, the Minister of Agriculture, who is now in Ladysmith, and a member of the valuable little corps of Guides. A few days ago both his horses were killed by a shell as they fed beside his tent. Harry Escombe was, however, the one strong, eloquent, masterful man—the Cecil Rhodes of Natal. He strove hard to avert war at the outset, having many Dutchmen in his constituency, but when the die was cast his sympathies were clear. He stood in the open at Dundee and watched the fight—the only really conspicuous man on the field, clothed in a black frock-coat and belltopper—a rare sight here, where the Englishman has at least done something in emancipating himself from the manacles of dress. One meets the Briton in all types here—the soldier, the tourist, the adventurer, the speculator, and the pioneer. We of the outer empire are but a fraction in the bulk, and more than ever his capacity for colonisation is a mystery to me. He is an Englishman, first, last, and always; he talks of home, thinks of home, dreams of home, and all the while is steadily building up the new branch of empire in which he has so little personal interest beyond the winning of fortune. Yet he relaxes guardedly, blends slowly with his new environment, has in his new chum stage especially a distinct insularity which repels the stranger, and yet with all this national aloofness he is a colonising success. Why? First, I think, because England seems to pick always the newest, the most remote, and the deadliest of her possessions as the outlet for young, strong men, who find no scope in their own. Educated mostly in the public schools of England, they have a high sense of national honour and duty, a strong, unobtrusive racial pride, which makes them endure much while saying little; and, above all, the love of adventure and travel which is foster-mother to colonisation. One thing that has surprised me is the number of young Englishmen in the volunteer corps of Natal. For the most part they had no previous military training, yet they are amongst the most daring, and endure silently the hardships over which men less delicately bred grumble greatly. One can easily overlook the little English angularities in respect of the grit that lies beneath.

TRANSIT COMMISSION.

The board met yesterday, the Mayor (Sir Matthew Harris) presiding. It was decided, on the motion of Mr. Sparkes, to write to the Railway Commissioners asking that consideration be given to omnibus drivers losing their positions owing to competition of the trams. A complaint was received from a number of churches in the Paddington district of the nuisance caused by cabs being driven at a fast pace during service on Sundays. A reply was sent to the effect that certain drivers and cabmen had been warned. A communication was read from Messrs. Sanders, Whitehead, and Sutton, carriers, stating that their vehicles did not ply for hire. They thought the enforcement of the bylaws was an injustice to them. The board decided to enforce the bylaws. Residents in the vicinity of Moore-street and Martin-place having complained of the nuisance caused by cabmen working there late at night the registrar recommended the removal of the stand. The board decided, however, not to interfere with it. Permission was accorded to Thomas Neal to run two omnibuses between Kogarah and Newtown station, and to Mrs. M'Guire to ply an omnibus between Newtown and the Zoological Gardens. A number of cabmen were before the board for having been asleep in their cabs. Five omnibus horses, having been ordered for inspection and not appearing, were declared unfit and condemned.

ST. GEORGE'S ENGLISH RIFLES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—May I add a few words to your report of our annual beefsteak supper in honour of St. George's Day. The statement that "the toast of His Excellency the Governor was accepted in silence" is liable to be misunderstood without the explanation that I requested the omission of the customary "musical honours" out of respectful sympathy for the noble Earl in his recent severe bereavement.

The late hour to which the proceedings extended necessarily prevented the reporting of the speech of the hon. the Minister for Mines and Agriculture in proposing "Success to St. George's English Rifles," and the replies thereto. Will you kindly give space for the following figures used by me as evidencing the great progress made by the regiment during the past four months:—

	1899.	1900.
Attendance at Easter training ..	268	388
Attendance at General's annual inspection	251	404
Attendance at St. George's Day parade	360	468

The number of efficients was last year 281; this year it will certainly exceed 600.

The St. George's Day parade was attended by every man possessing a uniform with the exception of 32.

Except as regards 12 bandsmen the 7th Regiment had the largest attendance of all the volunteer and partially-paid regiments at the Centennial Park review on Easter Monday, and, I believe, the largest attendance at the Easter training manoeuvres.

I am, &c., J. C. NEILD, Lieut.-Colonel,
Commanding 7th Regiment,
April 24. St. George's English Rifles.

A SINGLE OR A DOUBLE TARIFF—WHICH?

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—At the Protectionist Conference some speakers, Mr. Hose in particular, have affirmed that there is very little difference between freetraders and protectionists as to the customs burdens they propose to collect under the uniform tariff. The statement may be added to the already long list of facts known as "protectionist facts."

The real truth is something like this. Both parties admit that revenue for the public service must be raised by customs and excise. That is all the freetraders want from the tariff, but the protectionists go further and say that they want protection for certain industries. Briefly put, the freetraders want a tariff with only one object; the protectionists want a tariff with two objects. If the amount required for the public service be seven millions, and the amount required for protection a further five millions, the question is, Shall we have a single tariff collecting seven millions or a double tariff collecting twelve millions? The fight centres round the question, Shall we allow five millions to be collected from all the people by a comparatively small section, and retained by them for their own purposes? In naming five millions I do not say that that represents the exact extra cost of the double over the single tariff; but whether it be only one million or as much as ten millions freetraders must always fight against a principle which makes the interests of the many subservient to those of the few. I am, &c.,

April 25. EDWARD PULSFORD.

For Children's Hacking Cough at night Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

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QUEEN VICTORIA CONSUMPTIVES' HOME.

OPEN-AIR TREATMENT OF CONSUMPTION.

The monthly meeting of the executive committee of the Queen Victoria Homes for Consumptives Fund was held at the Town Hall yesterday. Colonel Goodlet being in the chair. There were also present—Mrs. Langer Owen, Miss Dibbs, Miss Harris, Messrs. R. Teece, F. Grimley, and H. Levy (hon. treasurer), Drs. C. Purser (hon. secretary), Sydney Jones, and Camac Wilkinson. The treasurer reported the funds in hand to be £21,500, and acknowledged receipt of the following donations:—Mr. Hugh Dixson and Mrs. Hugh Dixson, of Abergeldie, £50 each; Miss Osborne, London, £30. Dr. Sydney Jones and Mrs. H. Dixson were elected to the house committee of the home at Thirlmere.

Dr. Sydney Jones read a report on the open-air treatment of consumption and tuberculosis of the lungs. He said: When I left these shores in January, 1898, it was understood that I would endeavour to gather some information on the working of the sanatorium or open-air treatment of consumption. The system had been in operation for 40 years in Germany, but had received little attention in Great Britain. About the middle of 1898, however, the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption and other forms of tuberculosis was established in England, and this gave an impetus to the movement, one of the objects of the association being to promote the erection of sanatoria. One-seventh of mankind die of tuberculosis, 60,000 deaths occur from this cause in England and Wales, and of these over 40,000 are from consumption (tuberculosis of the lungs). 4000 die of this disease annually in Australasia. These figures, large as they are, give no adequate conception of the enormous number of people who are attacked by consumption, for, as proved by post-mortem examinations of persons dying of other diseases, and who present evidence of healed tubercle in the lungs, three out of four recover spontaneously. This great loss of life, not to mention the suffering and distress attending the disease is in a great measure preventable. Already by the effects of subsoil drainage, by improved hygienic measures, by better living, by cleanliness, by greater attention to the ventilation and construction of dwellings, the number of deaths from tuberculosis has been reduced by more than 50 per cent. in 50 years. I may here say that the open-air treatment is in essence but a larger application of the principles of hygiene and dietetics—a provision for purer air, for absolute cleanliness, for better and more abundant food, more complete rest for body and mind. Is it unreasonable to expect that by these measures tuberculosis will in course of time be stamped out as sea scurvy has been? Thanks to the labours of Koch and his discovery of the tubercle bacillus we no longer have to battle with a mysterious foe fighting, as it were, with smokeless powder, but with a visible enemy who can be prevented from attacking us, and whose wounds, when inflicted, can in a large proportion of cases be healed. In plain prose, we now know that consumption is a contagious disease, that it is communicated from person to person and from animals to man, and that it arises in no other way. The principal way in which the bacilli are conveyed from a consumptive individual to a healthy person is by means of the expectoration, which contains them in enormous numbers. When allowed to become dry the bacilli are suspended in the atmosphere, especially of ill-ventilated rooms, and inhaled. So long as the expectoration is kept moist by being spat into water there is no risk of its becoming disseminated. For the comfort of the nervous it may here be said that the bacillus will not take root and grow in the lungs of a perfectly healthy individual; and also that there is practically no risk from inhaling the breath of a consumptive individual, for bacilli are not present in it. Another way in which the bacilli are disseminated is by drinking the milk of tuberculous cows and eating the flesh of tuberculous animals. This can be entirely prevented by boiling. What is the open air or sanatorium treatment of consumption? It may be defined as a hygienic and dietetic method carried out in pure air under the direct supervision of medical men in specially constructed buildings. Wherever the word "sanatoria" is employed in this paper I mean specially constructed buildings in which the above-mentioned method is carried out. They are sometimes called "closed sanatoria" to distinguish them from the "open sanatoria," to be found in most health resorts, and in which consumptives and other invalids are housed together under more or less close medical supervision. Into the closed sanatoria none but consumptives are received, and the medical supervision is much closer and more complete. The essentials of the open air method are those which a knowledge of the chief factors in producing consumption, viz., air contaminated by the tubercle bacillus, inadequate food, confined damp and ill-ventilated dwellings and a low state of general health would naturally suggest. They are:—First, that the patient shall live constantly in pure fresh air; second, that he shall have a prescribed amount of rest and exercise; third, that he shall consume a large amount of highly nutritious food; fourth, that he shall be under the constant supervision of a resident medical director. Each of these essentials demands a few words of explanation. Pure air, of course, contains no disease germs, and is free from particles of dust and mephitic vapour, which irritate the respiratory organs. It has, moreover, been proved experimentally that direct sunlight is fatal to the life of the bacillus of consumption. The inmates of a sanitorium, therefore, walk or recline all day in the grounds of the institution, or in the broad verandahs called "Liegehallen" by the Germans, and which in Europe are always placed on the south side of the building to secure the maximum amount of sunshine, and to afford shelter from the cold north and east winds. Some sanatoria have no verandahs but "shelters," or open summer houses, placed in different parts of the grounds. In other cases the grounds are so disposed and planted that sheltered nooks afford the necessary protection from wind and rain. At night the patients sleep in rooms which face the south, and with doors and windows widely or partially open, according to the weather. In either case, the rooms are flooded with fresh air. The patients are gradually accustomed to this exposure, and soon suffer no harm, even from direct draughts. Common colds or catarrhs are practically unknown within the sanatoria, and when they do occur can almost invariably be traced to contagion, introduced from without by visitors or friends. In cold weather the body, especially the feet and legs, is covered with wraps and rugs, so that the patients do not feel cold. The purity of the air is further secured by the observance of absolute cleanliness, the daily removal of dust, the reception of all expectoration into vessels containing water, and its ultimate destruction by strong disinfectants or by boiling, and the rapid removal of all excreta. As to the second head, it may seem inconsistent to insist upon the importance of rest and at the same time to advocate the use of graduated exercise. This is, however, not really so, for the appropriateness of the one or the other depends upon the physical condition of the individual at the particular time. In the case of the feverish or dyspeptic patient, who is losing weight any exertion, even the smallest, is injurious, and he must be kept at absolute rest in the recumbent position until such time as his temperature has fallen to normal, or his digestive powers have regained their tone. In non-febrile cases, and in those whose digestion is fairly good, walking exercise carefully graduated to the strength of the individual, is of great value in strengthening the heart and muscles and in expanding the chest. In every case the length and direction of the walk is prescribed by the medical officer from time to time, and quick walking or walking against the wind is forbidden. All the patients are required to lie down for an hour before each meal, as it has been found by experience that such rest materially aids the digestion of food. Mental rest is also essential in the case of the very weak and febrile. Reading exciting books, much talking, and loud laughter are therefore forbidden. The third essential factor is abundant food. The consumptive invalid requires a much larger amount of food than a healthy man to counteract the wasting effects of the disease, and to strengthen the system, so that it shall be able to resist the assaults of the bacillus. At the Nordrach Sanatorium, in the Black Forest, three large meals are taken in the day, but at most sanatoria two large and three smaller ones. The following may be taken as a fair sample of the daily menu:—Breakfast, between 7 and 8 o'clock, consisting of coffee, tea, or cocoa, white or brown bread and butter, and a glass of milk. Lunch, at 10 o'clock, consisting of two glasses of milk and bread and butter, or broth, eggs, &c. At 1 o'clock, dinner of soup, two courses of meat and vegetables, and one of pudding with a glass of milk. At 4 p.m. the same as at breakfast. At 7 p.m. supper of one or two courses, one hot with vegetables and one cold, and again a glass of milk. At 9 p.m. a glass of milk. The patient is expected to eat all that is placed upon his plate. It will be observed that milk forms a considerable part of the patient's food. At some sanatoria it is derived from a special herd of cows which have been submitted to the tuberculin test, and in all cases where not so derived it is sterilised before use. Drinking water is discouraged or forbidden as likely to interfere with the patient consuming the prescribed quantity of milk. As a rule alcohol is not given, but light wines are sometimes provided. It is essential that the patients should be under the constant supervision of a resident medical director. We have seen that the success of the treatment depends upon the observance of a number of details, and that the amount of food, rest, and exercise have to be carefully graduated to the patient's condition from time to time. A resident medical director is, therefore, a necessity, and if he be a man of strong personality, a born ruler of men, he is likely to secure better results than one of the opposite character. He must be thoroughly devoted to his calling. Two objections have been made to sanatoria, but both can be easily answered. The first is that the rigid discipline and the association of so many sick people, and especially of those who are very bad with those only slightly affected, must have a depressing effect upon the latter. Such, however, is not found to be the case. On the contrary it is affirmed that the patient who has been irritated and made discontented at home or in an hotel by the patent fact that he cannot do as those about him are doing soon becomes reconciled to his position, and is not only contented but cheerful. The conviction that steady progress is being made and the sense of returning health have quite an inspiriting effect. My own observation of some hundreds of patients in sanatoria both in England and on the continent of Europe entirely bears out this statement. The second objection which has been raised, and which would be a very serious one if it had any foundation in fact, is that the massing of so many consumptives must increase the danger of infection. As a matter of fact there is no such danger if the simple precautions for disposing of the sputa and securing absolute cleanliness before mentioned are observed. There is far greater danger in hotels and open health resorts, where such precautions are loosely, if at all, observed, and where the medical supervision, if any, is necessarily less strict than in closed sanatoria. The experience of ordinary consumptive hospitals, too, proves that there is practically no risk. Consumption originating within these hospitals amongst the medical officers and attendants is almost unknown. From what has been said as to the prime necessity in the open-air treatment, namely, abundant fresh pure air, it is manifest that the site of the buildings must be one in which the air is free from dust, smoke, and all the impurities which are inseparable from a dense population. It must therefore be distant from cities and towns and manufactories; and if possible surrounded by forest trees which exhale a mildly antiseptic vapour, and afford shelter from strong winds. The soil should be dry, porous, and well drained. Although a high altitude is not considered to be essential by all authorities in Europe, still, as a matter of fact, most of the German sanatoria are placed at an elevation of 1300ft. or 1100ft. above the sea level, and those in Switzerland at a much higher level still. Here in Australia experience has taught us that dryness and lightness of the air are of great importance in the treatment of consumptives, and these conditions are only to be obtained at high altitudes and at long distances from the seaboard. Buildings of different kinds are found amongst the sanatoria, but the best, and those which have been specially designed for the purpose of the treatment, are either in the form of one large long structure of four and five stories, frequently forming an arc of a circle as at Falkenstein and Ruppertsheim, or of a number of detached cottages as at Nordrach. From a purely medical point of view the latter are preferable, but the former is the most economical in its working. Whatever style is adopted the buildings must be so arranged that every part occupied by the patients can be thoroughly flushed with fresh air and sunshine. As to the results obtained by sanatorium treatment, it may be said, speaking generally, that "from one-fourth to one-third of the patients are practically cured—or a still greater proportion, if they are treated in an early stage. Probably systematic and prolonged treatment from an early stage would restore to health from one-half to two-thirds of our patients." Then, if the conditions of life are favourable, and the rules and regulations inculcated in the sanatorium are followed by the patient on his return to his home, further improvement usually takes place. The questions will naturally be asked, "Are the good results of sanatorium treatment permanent?" "Do the patients remain well enough to resume their ordinary occupations?" The answer is, "Yes, in a large proportion of cases." Dr. Walters says: "Special inquiries were made in the year 1890 to ascertain how many of those treated at Brehmer's Sanatorium continued in good health. In five cases the cure had lasted from 20 to 29 years, in 52 cases from 12 to 21 years, and in 38 cases from 7 to 12 years." Similar investigations by Detweiler at Falkenstein, in 1886, led to the discovery that 72 out of 99 patients who had left the institution as cured were still living, from three to nine years after, in perfect health; in 15 cases there had been relapses, although 12 out of these 15 subsequently recovered. The recoveries which have been made in the past in these colonies have for the most part been the result of the open-air treatment, carried out, albeit, in a very imperfect way. To what else can be attributed these numerous cases of cured consumptives who have lived on cattle or sheep stations in camps, tents, and the like. They have for the most part been members of the richer classes. The poor man dependent upon the labour of his hands, and unable to find work, as a rule, except in cities and towns, has been deprived of the advantage of the open-air treatment. Hence the fatality of the disease among the poor has been greater than among the rich. To give them the same chance of recovery as their wealthy brethren by erecting sanatoria for their reception was the primary object in the formation of the Queen Victoria Homes for Consumptives Fund. The establishment of sanatoria for consumptives for the well to do may well be left to private enterprise. The poor are helpless in this without our aid, and we are bound to help them.

Dr. Sydney Jones also described the various sanatoria which he had visited.

CORPORATION OF ACCOUNTANTS OF AUSTRALIA.

INAUGURAL MEETING.

The inaugural meeting of the Corporation of Accountants of Australia was held at the Equitable Hall last evening. Mr. Wilfrid L. Docker was in the chair. The meeting took the form of a smoke concert, and among those who accepted invitations to attend were:—Messrs. F. E. Winchcombe (Winchcombe, Carson, and Co.), W. H. Perry, S. E. Lees, M.L.A., F. G. Sargood (Sargood and Co.), W. H. Fletcher, E. L. Davis (chairman Stock Exchange), A. H. Nathan (Hoffnung and Co.), Q. L. Deloitte (Colonial Sugar Company), Denison Miller (Bank of New South Wales), G. J. Cohen (David Cohen and Co.), W. Trotter (Paterson, Laing, and Bruce), Z. C. Rennie (Mutual Life Insurance Company), S. W. D'Arcy Irvine (Equitable Life Insurance Company), Robert Smith (Norton, Smith, and Co.), Kelso King (Mercantile Mutual Insurance Company), A. W. Meeks (Gibbs, Bright, and Co.), Laury (New Zealand Loan Company), V. Cohen (accountant Department of Lands), G. C. Bails (president Commercial Travellers' Association), J. St. V. Welch (Commercial Union Insurance Company), A. Hellicar (Bank of Australasia), W. Robertson, John S. D'Arcy (Customs Department), T. A. Coghlan (Government Statistician), G. M. Allard, G. E. Woodthorpe (Underwriters' Association), G. H. Knibbs (Royal Society), R. Dean, A. J. Metzler, F. Adams (A.J.S. Bank), Dr. G. J. Sly, A. F. Robinson (Chamber of Commerce), M. W. S. Clarke (Liverpool, London, and Globe Insurance Company), Robert Kerr, S. Hague Smith (Colonial Mutual Insurance Company), W. G. Whiting (Henry Bull and Co.), and Lieutenant Stamer, R.N.

In his opening address Mr. Wilfrid L. Docker indicated some of the principal objects for which the corporation had been formed, and which it hoped to accomplish. These were:—1. To provide a special organisation for accountants and auditors, and to do all such things as from time to time may be necessary to elevate the status and advance the interests of the profession. 2. To provide for the better definition and protection of the profession and the supply of thoroughly educated professional men by a system of examinations and the issue of certificates and the conferring of titles and degrees of classification. 3. To promote and foster in commercial circles a higher sense of the importance of systematic and correct accounts, and to encourage a greater degree of efficiency in those engaged in book-keeping. 4. To provide opportunities for intercourse amongst the members and associates, and to give facilities for the reading of papers and the delivery of lectures, and for the acquisition and dissemination by other means of useful information connected with the profession, and to encourage improved methods of bookkeeping.

In concluding his address Mr. Docker said that he believed one of the most fruitful causes of bankruptcy was the inefficient method of keeping books, or no books at all. If this fact could be impressed upon the business portion of the community and they were induced to insist upon a proper system of book-keeping merchants and bankers would be the gainers to a very large extent, and the public would be better protected by a proper system of audit by skilled auditors.

Mr. Thomas Davis, the honorary secretary of the corporation, delivered an address upon the aims and aspirations of its members. He traced the history of like movements in England, and of earlier ones in Australia. In 1894 was established "The Sydney Institute of Public Accountants." The present new corporation was founded, he said, not for the reason that the older one had not done good, but that its existing limitations precluded the possibility of that good extending. He showed that powerful need of the services of the corporation existed since the passage of the Limited Liability Act, and later the Land and Income Tax Act. One more factor which operated powerfully as a reason for its existence was to be found in the almost universal gambling spirit of the age. A very great mistake was made by those who thought the professional accountant existed because of the inefficiency of the bookkeeper, or that the professional accountant winked at the faulty system and inaccurate attempts at balancing. It was the very fact that they desired to establish and maintain creditable and correct bookkeeping that they were called into existence.

As to what they proposed to do in the future, Mr. Davis said that there would be held regular meetings of members and associates, at which papers would be read and a general knowledge of all that pertained to the profession imparted. The issue of a monthly magazine would still further develop general information, as would the holding of classes for the training of clerks and others and the issuing of certificates in bookkeeping and accountancy, which would be recognised and sought for by employers. A well-fitted library would also be a feature.

In concluding his remarks, Mr. Davis said that accountants belonged to what was known as an "unprotected profession." The law took care that the man who looked after the legal matters of his client was qualified, certificated, and registered. Not so the man who was asked into the privacy of the ledger. The man who was dismissed from a responsible position one day for rank misconduct might on the morrow flourish his name on a large brass plate as "Public Accountant," and all too often the reflection of such had its effect on audits and accountants generally. What was wanted was recognition by the Legislature, and this was a well authenticated fact. In the sister colony of Victoria one step at least had been taken in their Companies Act of 1896, wherein it was expressly stated that auditors within the meaning and operation of the Act should be certificated accountants. He did not ask that our Legislature should adopt that course and stop there, but rather go one better and give them an Act to themselves, which, while protecting qualified accountants, would also protect the public from those who, without any warrant, call themselves public accountants, and whose work brought the profession into disrepute. (Loud applause.)

During the evening a varied programme of music was rendered by Messrs. Norman Alston, Cyril Monk, A. Ernest Nott, F. Mauer, M'Lure, H. Weir, and Claude Lepiastrier.

The following are the officers of the new corporation. Council, president, Sir W. P. Manning; Messrs. H. E. Russell, Wilfrid Docker, Thomas Davis, David Fell, T. H. Jackson, Greville Tregarthen, John Kent, M. Franckel, A. D. Fraser; hon. secretary, Mr. Thomas Davis; hon. treasurer, Mr. David Fell; hon. auditor, Mr. C. J. Waiting; solicitor, Mr. A. W. E. Weaver.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

The pony and galloway races set down for decision yesterday at Kensington were, through rain, postponed until to-day. The first event will start at 2.15 p.m. The usual facilities will be afforded for reaching the course by omnibus and tram services.

Mr. T. S. Clibborn reports having sold privately the brown horse Influenza and the black gelding Crusado.

Dr. Spooner Hart has purchased the Jeweller gelding Turee.

The Queensland sportsman who bought Goldsmith was Mr. P. Tatty.

The satisfactory total of 94 entries was yesterday received by Mr. G. Rowe for the five events to be run at the Warwick Farm May meeting.

The trotting, pony, and galloway races originally set down for decision at Brighton to-day have been postponed until to-morrow.

Entries for the pony and galloway races to be run at Kensington on Wednesday, May 2, close with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, at 5 p.m. on Saturday next. Particulars of the programme will be found in the advertising columns.

The black gelding Ranji, who has been spelling, has again joined T. Lamond's string of racehorses.

The first yearling sold at Randwick last week to carry a saddle and a rider was the colt by Gossoon from Mooney in Fielder's stable.

I. Earnshaw, who purchased a dozen yearlings last week, selected the colts by Splendor—Burlee, Gibraltar—Lady Agnes, Lochiel—Profane, and Grafton—Loch Ena for an Adelaide sportsman, and they have left for their new home, while the filly by Gibraltar has gone to a Melbourne client. The colt by Gigue from Barn Dance, the colt by Grafton from Lovelock, the Haut Brion—Lady Helen filly, the Haut Brion—Idolatory filly, and the Abercorn—Marchesa filly have gone to Windsor Farm to be turned out. The two colts named first are to be gelded. Earnshaw is keeping the Abercorn—Kilmorey colt, the Gigue—Merry Belle filly, and the filly by Grafton from the Riddle at home to be handled and prepared for racing purposes.

Payten's yearling team will consist of the Haut Brion—Spite filly, the Cambria—Neta colt, the Gigue—Meridian filly, the Grafton—Piecrust colt, the Grafton—Dona colt, and the Far Niente—Gloria colt.

W. Duggan will put the following yearlings through their education:—The Flintlock—Duenna gelding, the Haut Brion—Collarette colt, the Haut Brion—Gay Jenny colt, and the Haut Brion—Miss Westbourne colt. The Gay Jenny colt was purchased by Mr. Hamilton Osborne, who lately returned from England.

Harry Raynor will have a couple of nice yearlings to prepare in the Far Niente—Rivula colt and the Gigue—Miss Nora colt.

Mr. Bartlam's fine yearling by Gossoon from Wheel of Fortune is to go to Melbourne to be trained.

The yearling colt by Medallion out of Sorella, purchased at the recent sales at Randwick by James Monoghan, was for Messrs. Durrack Brothers, of Kimberley, West Australia.

Mr. Clibborn made an offer privately to Mr. W. Forrester of 600 guineas for the Watchdog and Saraswati, who were on Friday placed in the sale ring. The amount was not sufficient, and Mr. Forrester decided to keep the two fast sprinters.

The steamer Nineveh will carry to England Mr. Muir's team of racehorses, consisting of Parthian, The Tola, Sweetheart, and Fifeshire, the latter being a maiden brother to North British, Sadur, and Caledonia.

The Grand Flaneur—Dovecot colt and the Haut Brion—Narara colt have gone to Ballarat to be trained by J. Scobie.

THE PROTEST AT THE COROWA RACES.

COROWA, Wednesday.

The protest by Mr. M. Hessian, owner of Breadalbane, against Derby, winner of the Quat Quatta Hurdles, at the recent Corowa races, was heard by the stewards this afternoon. It was decided to allow Mr. Hessian three weeks longer to prove his allegations regarding the nomination by Derby's owner, Mr. R. Felstead.

FORBES JOCKEY CLUB.

SECOND DAY.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

FORBES, Wednesday.

The annual races of the Forbes J.C. were continued to-day in beautifully fine weather. The track was in good condition, and the attendance was much better than yesterday. Racing commenced with the President's Handicap, for which 11 faced the barrier, and Ingomar carried most money, but he could only get third to Contempt, about whom a remunerative price was obtainable. Constellation, a well-shaped gelding by Forest King, was made an odds-on favourite for the Nursery Handicap. He turned round at the rise of the barrier and lost over 100 yards before he got on his legs, and his chance appeared hopeless, but he gradually gained on the leaders and, passing Parana before the distance was reached, caught Alto at the half distance and easily beat him home amid a scene of great excitement. Rosebery was installed favourite for the Jockey Club Handicap, for which Trichord and Mulgah also received staunch support. Sateen and Caroline made the early running, but Rosebery took charge of affairs after passing the half-mile post, and holding his own to the end scored comfortably. Winoline was selected as the best of the seven that took part in the Wougajong Handicap, and she landed the stake, while Rock Forest, an outsider, got home safely in the Eulong Handicap. Appended are the results:—

President's Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. F. M'Allister's br g Contempt, by Trenton—Lady Disdain, 9st 8lb (Curran), 1; Mr. W. Baker's blk g Silence, 11st 4lb (Burney), 2; Mr. J. O. Hunt's br g Ingomar, 10st 9lb (Monoghan), 3. Other starters: Sateen, 10st 4lb; Rose Bay, 9st 13lb; Prior, 9st 12lb; Engineer, 9st 12lb; Victorine II., 9st 9lb; Robin Hood, 9st 9lb; Goldcoat, 9st 5lb; Normanby II., 9st 4lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Ingomar, 4 to 1 v. Rose Bay, 5 to 1 v. Silence, 8 to 1 v. Contempt, 10 to 1 v. others. Silence, with Ingomar and Contempt just in his wake, led to the distance, where Contempt tackled him and beat him by a neck after a grand struggle. Ingomar was four lengths off, third, followed by Sateen and Victorine II., with Engineer last. Time, 1 minute 23½ seconds.

Nursery Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. C. Smith's br g Constellation, by Forest King—Stella, 9st 5lb (Quinn), 1; Mr. J. Boyd's ch c Alto, by Islanthus—Songstress, 8st 5lb (Clancy), 2; Mr. C. Beresford's b f Parana, by Forest King—Cherub, 8st 10lb (Curran), 3. Betting: 6 to 4 on Constellation, 2 to 1 v. Parana, 4 to 1 v. Alto. Alto got all the best of a bad start, while the favourite hung at the post. Alto drew out for eight lengths' lead as they raced along the back, while the favourite was nearly 100 yards away. Coming round the bend the favourite was rapidly making up ground, and passing Parana in the straight set out in pursuit of the leader, whom he caught at the half-distance, and won by four lengths, with Parana six lengths off. Time, 1 minute 27½ seconds.

Wougajong Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. S. Clarke's ch m Winoline, by Blairgowrie—Winnie, 9st 5lb (Standford), 1; Mr. H. Hodgson's b g Hibernian 8st 2lb (Gorman), 2; Mr. J. O. Hunt's ch m Saville, 7st 7lb (Gulein), 3. Other starters: Contempt, 9st 3lb; Corollary, 9st; Myra, 6st 7lb; Steam, 6st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Winoline, 3 to 1 each v. Corollary and Saville, 7 to 2 v. Contempt, 7 to 1 v. others. Saville and Hibernian showed the way along the back to the bend, followed by Winoline and Contempt. Winoline settled the pretensions of Saville at the distance, and, coming on, won by two lengths from Hibernian, who had Saville at his heels. Contempt was next, and Myra last. Time, 1 minute 20½ seconds.

Club Handicap, 1 mile and 1 furlong.—Mr. S. L. West's ch h Rosebery, by Padlock—Axiom, 9st 3lb (W. Curran), 1; Mr. P. J. Flannery's b m Rose Bay, 7st 9lb (Clancy), 2; Mr. E. Peacock's ch g Mulgah, 7st 4lb, including 7lb penalty (Gorman), 3. Others starters: Trichord, 10st; Caroline, 8st 4lb; Sateen, 7st 5lb; Victorine II., 6st 12lb; Little Benjamin, 6st 11lb; Rock Forest, 6st 7lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Rosebery, 4 to 1 each v. Trichord and Mulgah, 7 to 4 v. Rock Forest, 10 to 1 each v. Sateen, Caroline, and Little Benjamin. Sateen and Caroline showed the way past the stand, followed by Mulgah, Victorine II., and Rose Bay, but as they turned out of the straight Caroline drew out a length from Sateen, after whom came Mulgah, Rose Bay and Rosebery, and along the back Rosebery ran up next to Caroline and Sateen, passed them as they came round the bend, and was not afterwards approached, and won comfortably by three lengths from Rose Bay, who beat Mulgah by a neck for second place. Rock Forest was fourth, and Little Benjamin next, followed by Trichord, Caroline, Victorine II., and Sateen. Time, 2 minutes 1 second.

Eulong Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. C. Beresford's b g Rock Forest, by Forest King—Manola, 6st 7lb (G. Osborne), 1; Mr. W. H. O'Loughlin's b g Robin Hood, 8st 12lb (Tracey), 2; Mr. G. Clarke's ch m Caroline, 8st 8lb (Kenny), 3. Other starters: Rosebery, 10st 5lb; Sodi, 8st 13lb; Ingomar, 8st 2lb; Hugo Victor, 7st 9lb; Sateen, 7st 7lb; Normanby II., 6st 10lb; Jacques, 6st 7lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Sodi, 4 to 1 each v. Caroline and Hugo Victor, 5 to 1 each v. Sateen and Ingomar, 8 to 1 v. Rock Forest, 10 to 1 v. others. Caroline cut out the work to the distance, where Rock Forest got on terms, and, coming on, won by a couple of lengths from Robin Hood, who beat Caroline by a head for second place. Sodi was fourth and Normanby last. Time, 1 minute 19 seconds.

GRABBEN GULLEN RACES.

CROOKWELL, Wednesday.

The Grabben Gullen races resulted as follows:—

Maiden Plate.—Fair Play, 1; Bonnie Belle, 2; Warfare, 3.

Hack Race.—Robin Hood, 1; Hard Times, 2; Burra Burra, 3.

Easter Handicap.—E. F. Siggs' Countermine, 9st 5lb, 1; J. Storrier's Iroquois, 8st 9lb, 2; Gorman's Hard Times, 7st 7lb, 3.

Flying Handicap.—Lady Puschka, 1; Adieu, 2; Carbine, 3.

MUDGEE RACES.

MUDGEE, Wednesday.

The autumn races were held to-day. The attendance was good and the weather fine.

Opening Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Lady Mab, 9st 5lb, 1; Sid, 8st, 2; Ossifrage, 7st 8lb, 3. Time, 1 minute 18 seconds. Six started.

Hack Race, 6 furlongs.—Despot, 1; O.K., 2; Redwing, 3. Eleven started. Time, 1 minute 19½ seconds.

Autumn Handicap, 1 mile.—Saturn, 8st 5lb, 1; Delusion, 8st 1lb, 2; Sid, 7st 12lb, 3. Seven started. Time, 1 minute 46 seconds.

Hack Race, 6 furlongs.—Sylvia, 1; O.K., 2; Rudolph, 3. Ten started. Time, 1 minute 20 seconds.

Contingent Race, 6 furlongs.—Misfortune, 10st, 1; Delusion, 9st 12lb, 2; Newhaven, 8st 12lb, 3. Seven started. Time, 1 minute 20 seconds.

Farewell Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Lady Mab, 10st 7lb, 1; Redwing, 7st 10lb, 2; Dart, 8st, 3. Time, 1 minute 19½ seconds.

BRIGHTON TROTTING, PONY, AND GALLOWAY RACES.

Subjoined are the weights for the trotting, pony, and galloway races to be held at Brighton to-morrow:—

Trial Stakes (13.0), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Receiver, 8st 1lb; Lady Little, 7st 12lb; Merry Girl, 7st 5lb; Forest Lady, 7st 4lb; Doll Brown, 7st 3lb; Limerick, 7st 2lb; Church Belle, 7st; Mum, 7st.

Tempe Handicap (13.1), 5½ furlongs.—The Charmer, 8st 5lb; Flora, 8st 12lb; Lady Mulgrave, 7st 12lb; Blue and White, 7st 12lb; Yettonga, 7st 7lb; Pat, 7st; Four Guinea, 7st.

Bexley Handicap (14.1), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Clarrie, 9st; Little Rasie, 8st 9lb; Frawney, 8st 2lb; Donalda, 7st 10lb; Amber, 7st 10lb; Innisfail, 7st 7lb; Stockbelle, 7st 3lb; Lorina, 7st 2lb.

Rocedale Handicap (14.2), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Mica, 10st; Freetrade, 8st 10lb; Nettle, 8st 8lb; Kruger, 8st 7lb; Lioness, 8st 5lb; Little Lady, 8st 3lb; Eurydice, 7st 12lb; Church Belle, 7st; Antic, 7st; Jet, 7st.

Time Handicap Trot, 1½ mile.—O. P., scratch; Gilds, scratch; First Harold, scratch; Douglas, scratch; Shylock, 7 seconds behind; Tot, 12 seconds behind; Old Tom, 12 seconds behind; Souvenir, 12 seconds behind; Charlie, 16 seconds behind.

BLIGH AMATEUR TURF CLUB.

MUDGEE, Wednesday.

The following are the weights for the Bligh Amateur races to be held on May 2 and 3:—

FIRST DAY.

Maiden Plate, 1½ mile.—Ullman, 11st 8lb; Bridget, 11st 4lb; The Scot, 11st 4lb; Medora, 11st 4lb; The Tattler, 11st 4lb; Lady Stuart, 11st; Yalta, 11st.

Shorts, 6 furlongs.—Hercules, 11st 8lb; Saltoun, 11st 8lb; Lady Mab, 11st 8lb; Horus, 11st 8lb; Misfortune, 11st 8lb; Czar, 11st 8lb; Claymore, 11st 8lb; Ullman, 11st 8lb; Saturn, 11st 4lb; The Tattler, 11st 4lb; Medora, 11st 4lb; Antics, 9st 10lb.

Cup, 1½ mile.—Delusion, 11st 8lb; Loch Leven, 11st 8lb; Hercules, 11st 8lb; Saltoun, 11st 8lb; Misfortune, 11st 8lb; Underhand, 11st 8lb; Caprice, 11st 8lb; Saturn, 11st 4lb.

Members' Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Bridget, Hercules, Saltoun, Lady Mab, Misfortune, Saturn, Horus, The Scot, Claymore, Ullman, Medora, Antics.

Substitute Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Bridget, Lady Stuart, Lady Mab, Hercules, Saltoun, Saturn, Misfortune, The Scot, Czar, Yalta, Ullman, Medora, Antics.

Ladies' Mile.—Delusion, Lady Mab, Loch Leven, Hercules, Saltoun, Saturn, Misfortune, Underhand, The Tattler, Medora, Caprice, Claymore, Ullman.

SECOND DAY.

Newmarket Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Bridget, Delusion, Lady Mab, Hercules, Saltoun, Saturn, Misfortune, Horus, The Scot, Caprice, Czar, Yalta, Ullman, Medora, Antics.

Welter Handicap, once round.—Loch Leven, Delusion, Bridget, Hercules, Saltoun, Saturn, Misfortune, Underhand, The Scot, Caprice, The Tattler, Claymore, Medora.

Ladies' Bracelet, 1 mile.—Lady Mab, Delusion, Loch Leven, Saltoun, Hercules, Saturn, Horus, Misfortune, Underhand, The Scot, The Tattler, Medora, Antics, Caprice, Claymore, Ullman.

Cudgegong Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Bridget, Lady Stuart, Lady Mab, Hercules, Saltoun, Saturn, Misfortune, Horus, The Scot, Caprice, Czar, Claymore, Ullman, Medora, Antics.

Doncaster Handicap, 1 mile.—Bridget, Delusion, Lady Mab, Loch Leven, Hercules, Saltoun, Saturn, Misfortune, Underhand, The Scot, Caprice, The Tattler, Claymore, Ullman, Medora.

WARWICK FARM RACING CLUB.

The following is the list of entries for the events to be run at the May meeting of the above club:—

Hurdle Race, about 2 miles.—Oberon, Oner, Confidence II., Belle Isle, Glen Etive, Commissioner, Lili, Berkeley, Statesman II., Abedare, Mist, Granville, The Deemster, Donald, Au Revoir, Rattlewings, Waiter.

Stewards' Mile.—Redeemed, Highlander, Noble Lady, Jean, The Cryer, Nevermore, After Tea, Zeno II., Honeydew II., Steiene, Foley (late Folly), Woodlark, Saraswati, Hilda, Mishap, Fireman, Expectation II., Ryde, So Long, Fax.

Farm Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Lyblan, The Queen, Lemonade, Norwegian, Silver Forest, Coolgardie, High Tide, Mercia, Hazel Girl, Denbies, Provider, Myall, War God, Heyday, Lochiel, La Hogue, Lady Rapid, Leapfrog, The Raider, Colleen Bhue, Webbs, Beltrey, Munmurra, Tall Boy, Rifleite.

Warwick Handicap, 1½ mile.—Sunday, Amor, Soldier, Foley (late Folly), Nepolian, War God, Little Tartar, Bombshell, Rock of Ages, Wyalong, Longford, Fitzroy, Surbiton.

Pace Welter, 6 furlongs.—Highlander, Thunderclap, Hector II., Silver Forest, The Cryer, Auda, Cardale, Durham, Hereford, Steiene, Provider, The Watchdog, Cranbourne, Solem, Wag, Blue Nobby, Artilleryman, Tall Boy, So Long.

CYCLING.

TOURING UNION.

The executive held its usual meeting in the offices on Tuesday evening, 24th instant. Mr. W. R. George occupied the chair, and the following members were present:—Messrs. F. Walker, Clark, Pedley, Patrick, Robey, Corkhill, Hanslow, Blackett-Smith, C. R. White, J. C. Cameron, and the hon. secretary. Mr. I. B. Goodman, consul for Delegate, forwarded a guide book descriptive of roads, 10 routes in and around Delegate and district, and also intimated that on account of his leaving for the Cape he was reluctantly compelled to resign his office of consul, and begged to nominate Mr. J. B. English in his stead. The nomination of Mr. English was accepted. The names of 10 gentlemen were received as new members and accepted, together with many renewals. The Oriental Hotel, Springwood, was appointed official hotel for that place. A vote of thanks was passed to Messrs. Taylor and Robey for services rendered in connection with the guide book. Three caution boards and eight direction boards were granted for erection in different places. A circular letter to the Mayors of the different municipalities as to the necessity of enforcing the carrying of lights on all vehicles and cycles between the hours of sunset and sunrise was approved and ordered to be printed.

WARATAH ROVERS' BICYCLE CLUB.

Through the alteration of the date of the opening run of the Cyclists' Union, the club had no fixed run down for Saturday, but an impromptu run was held to Lady Robinson's Beach. The ladies' auxiliary mustered in strong force, and a very enjoyable time was spent. The arrangements in connection with the club's annual ball are almost complete.

SYDNEY BICYCLE CLUB.

On Saturday last the club had a very enjoyable run to Tom Ugly's Point, via Canterbury and Belmore. The arrangements in connection with the annual picnic, which is to take place at Clifton Gardens on Saturday, May 12 next, are now almost complete. On Saturday next the members will take part in the opening run of the New South Wales Cyclists' Union. The club will, as on previous occasions, hold the place of honour at the head of the procession.

E. Taylor, the crack French medium-distance pace follower and holder of the world's hour bicycle record of 36 miles 1144 yards, is only 19 years of age, and has been racing since he was 15 years old.

The Parisian cycling authorities are spending the sum of £6000 on the track upon which the world's championships for 1900 are to be held.

BOWLS.

VICTORIANS AT PETERSHAM.

A GAME UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS.

The Victorian bowlers and ladies yesterday kept their engagement with the Petersham club despite unpropitious weather, and notwithstanding the wet turf managed to play a game. The Petersham Club placed a five-horse drag at the disposal of the intercolonial team, and Messrs. W. J. Loudon (president of the Petersham club) and J. J. Cohen, M.L.A., escorted the party. On arrival at the green it was found that the clubhouse and grounds and the tennis court had been very prettily decorated. The credit of a tasteful and lavish display attached to Messrs. Lane, Booty, and Dunlop, of the club. Some chrysanthemum work by the Rev. H. Dunlop met with great appreciation. Amongst those present in addition to those mentioned were Messrs. J. W. Cockbaine (Mayor of Petersham), Alderman P. Herdern, J. Briton, T. C. Allen, F. Thomas, T. Miller, L. Wiseman, Forster, F. J. Josephson, Mesdames Dillon, Burgess, Jones, Todhunter, Heather, and Miss Jeffries (Victoria), London, Briton, Langdon, H. Dixson, Hobson, Wiseman, Misses Briton, Simpson, London, and Law. The president of the club and other members were tireless in their efforts to promote the comfort and happiness of the visitors. Mr. W. J. Loudon welcomed the bowlers to Petersham, and regretted that the inclemency of the weather appeared likely to interfere with the game.

Mr. G. N. Arnall responded, and referred to the kindness which had been shown to the bowlers during their trip. He thanked the Petersham club and their president for the thoughtful arrangements they had made, and expressed the hope that some of those present would come to Victoria and visit their greens. His team had kept their appointment, although the outlook had not been promising.

For a considerable time the rain prevented play, although one or two enthusiasts managed to keep on playing. The idea of any kind of a representative match was abandoned for a time, and the bowlers and the ladies set about forming parties for games of cards and enjoyment of the good things provided. After a time, the rain ceasing, it was decided to relinquish the cards and go on with the match; but by this time five of the Victorian bowlers had left. Their places, however, were capably filled by Messrs. T. C. Allen, F. Thomas, Gough, Fallick, and J. H. Cann, M.L.A. Several heads were played. The ladies versus Petersham match was also entered upon. The wet turf, which, except for the accident of the rain, looked particularly inviting, was speedily crowded, and a good game was played until dusk prevented any degree of accuracy in tracing the desired course for the bowls.

THE PLAY.

More driving was seen in this match than hitherto. The Victorians, noticeably the newly picked captains, showed that they could accurately take out an opponent's bowl when desired. The bowls moved over the turf through the wet, but it was found that the loss would not take to any great extent. In every rink the Victorians were behind in the scores when time was called, noticeably in rink 1, where a strong team captained by Lane played some very fine shots. In rinks 3 and 4 the play was noticeably in favour of the Petersham club. The visitors were certainly handicapped by playing on a wet green, and out of the original order laid down. In the ladies and gentlemen's match the Victorian ladies were the first to score, and maintained the advantage until the Petersham players scored a useful five in the sixth head. At the end of the twelfth head the scores were:—Petersham, 14; Victorian ladies, 4. Mrs. Dillon, captain of the Albert Park Club, Melbourne, was opposed by Lovegrove, and both played some fine shots. Very few "ragged" heads were noticeable in this contest, and the many spectators watched the game with close attention. Scores:—

No. 1 Rink.—Victoria: Heather, Thomas, Cudden, Williams (captain), 9; Petersham: Hopson, Wylie, Boothwood, Lane (captain), 20. Fourteen heads played.

No. 2 Rink.—Victoria: Gough, Fallick, James, Groom (captain), 7. Petersham: Besty, F. Searl, Butcher, Britton (captain), 9. Twelve heads played.

No. 3 Rink.—Victoria: Arnall, Allen, Haslam, Waxman (captain), 6. Petersham: Hibble, J. Searl, Law, Carrie (captain), 14. Fourteen heads played.

No. 4 Rink.—Victoria: Cann, Dorr, Jeffries, Mortley (captain), 8. Petersham: Rowley, Thomson, Barber, Rofe (captain), 14. Sixteen heads played.

Half-hour scores: Petersham, 19, 32, 57; Victoria, 11, 21, 30.

The scores for the various rinks at the half-hours were:—

	1st. Pet.	1st. Vic.	2nd. Pet.	2nd. Vic.	3rd. Pet.	3rd. Vic.	4th. Pet.	4th. Vic.
First half-hour	7	1	3	3	2	3	3	4
Second half-hour	12	5	5	7	8	4	8	5
Third half-hour	20	9	9	7	14	6	14	8

LADIES v. PETERSHAM.

Victorian Ladies.—Mrs. Burgess, Miss Blundell, Mrs. Heather, Mrs. Dillon—13.

Petersham.—Messrs. A. Hobson, T. Loveridge, J. J. Cohen, M.L.A., Dr. Lovegrove—14.

Half-hours.—Petersham, 2, 11, 14; Victorian ladies, 4, 9, 10.

At the after proceedings Mr. J. J. Cohen, M.L.A., in a felicitous speech referred to the pleasure the club felt at receiving the visit of the Victorians when weather conditions would have justified the latter in declining to come. The Victorian ladies had honoured the green by being the first ladies who ever played on it. Speaking as one of the bowlers who had unfortunately beaten the ladies, he said that they had been torn between feelings of gallantry and duty. They would have liked the ladies to win, but duty bade them put forth their best efforts to wrest some of the laurels from the visiting team.

Messrs. H. Brothwood and Dr. Lovegrove also referred in kindly terms to the visitors and their play.

The party returned to Sydney about 7 p.m., after a pleasant and varied afternoon's amusement.

The Rev. H. Dunlop was an efficient scorer.

KATOOMBA CLUB.

KATOOMBA, Wednesday.

At a meeting of residents held in the Council-chambers last night, it was decided to form a bowling club, and the offer of a suitable piece of ground made by Mr. Oatley gratis was accepted with thanks. Officers were elected, and it is intended to at once proceed with the necessary improvements to the ground.

FOOTBALL.

The members of the Glebe District Football Club, as advertised elsewhere, are requested to meet to-night at the Wentworth Park Cricket Ground, at 8 p.m., for training and other business.

LAWN TENNIS.

SYDNEY CLUB'S OPEN TOURNAMENT.

Instead, as has been previously announced, of closing the entries for the championship events on Friday next, the Sydney Club has now arranged to have an entirely separate and attractive tournament arranged for Saturday afternoon next, leaving the championship and other events (entries for which close as advertised on Saturday next) to be played off, as on previous years, during the following week. The programme for Saturday will therefore be arranged subsequently, and particulars will be duly notified. It will, however, include a match between the two champions of Victoria and New South Wales respectively, viz., Messrs. Rice and Gaden (champion double of N.S.W.) and Messrs. Goddard and Irving (champion double of Victoria), also an invitation singles event, to include the 16 best players in the colony, best of three sets, to decide each match. This will provide about eight good matches on the various courts. Some champion ladies' and gentlemen's events are also to be included.

CENTENNIAL CLUB MIXED TOURNAMENT.

On Monday afternoon additional games in the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Mixed Tournament were played off on the Centennial Club courts, which were witnessed by a large attendance. Some of the games proved more than usually interesting, and finished very closely. Miss Bizon and Mr. W. Williams showed particularly good form throughout, winning their games by large margins. The following are the details of the play:—

Miss Broad and Mr. W. Gardner beat Miss Jay and Mr. J. A. Preshaw, 5-4.

Miss Martin and Mr. R. Williams beat Miss Jay and Mr. J. A. Preshaw, 5-4.

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PIGEON SHOOTING.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

A £100 pigeon match was shot to-day, and was divided between C. Lee, 24 yards, and M. Crowhurst, 27 yards, with 25 kills; Whitney (Carcoar), 25 kills, third.

THE HUNTER RIVER SHOW.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The fortieth annual exhibition of the Hunter River Agricultural Association was opened to-day at West Maitland. The weather was fickle, sunshine and heavy showers alternating. The attendance was about 1500. The grounds, notwithstanding the rain, were in excellent order. A large attendance is expected on Thursday, when two Ministers—Mr. See and Mr. Fegan—will be present. The entries this year numbered 3800. Blood stock was not well represented. Two well-known Sydney winners—Althotas and Cardigan—were first and second respectively in the stallion class. Horses in the miscellaneous classes were of the high standard usual at Maitland. In the 11st hackneys 37 entries were received. The riding contests for girls and boys created interest. So also did the jumping events, which included many well-known horses. Heavy and active draught stock led to some good competition. Cattle of excellent quality were exhibited, especially the Ayrshires, Alderneys, and Jerseys. In pigs the Berkshire classes were strong. Poultry exhibits made the best display yet seen outside of Sydney. About 550 fowls were penned. Mrs. Harold Cadell won all the Minorca prizes, including the Poultry Club's medal. Other winners were L. L. Ramsay, Williamson, Marsh, and Pender. The awards were as follows:—

Blood stallion: A. K. Lee's Althotas, 1; J. Chambers's Cardigan, 2. Colt: A. Patton. Mare: Joseph Brown's Curfew, 1; J. J. Brown's Nightingale, 2. Mare (2 years): M. Moylan's Sampson. Filly: J. Burrell. Arab stallion: E. Corbett's Silver King. Mare: W. Mackay. Coaching stallion: C. Searles. Mare: T. Bellamy, 1; J. E. Sparke, 2. Trotting stallion: J. Cameron's Chatham. Mare: S. Arnott. Buggy mare: J. Cameron, 1; W. Mackay, 2. Sulky mare: J. Cameron, 1; J. Markham, 2. Pair of mares: W. Markwell, 1; W. Welch, 2. Pair of ponies (14 hands): E. Sparke, 1; J. Graham, 2. Harness pony: E. Collard, 1; P. Moy, 2. Pony under 13 hands: Hammond and Moore, 1; A. Goggins, 2. Van horse: M'Crossan Bros., 1; J. and W. Logan, 2. Fourteen stone hackney: W. Hughes, 1; H. M'Dougall, 2. Eleven stone: H. Voline, 1; J. Carter, 2. Lady's hackney: G. Loder's Lassie (ridden by Miss Bilda Cox). Pony stallion: O. Hardland's Bonny Charlie, 1; G. Lindsay, 2. Pony mare (12½ hands): J. Carter, 1; R. Graham, 2. Stallion (13½ hands): S. Eubard's, 1; J. Meredith, 2. Mare: W. Newton, 1; R. Graham, 2. Gelding: A. Hastland, 1; J. M. Pryke, 2. Mare, under 14 hands: W. Newton, 1; F. Collard, 2. Polo pony: R. Allison, 1; H. M'Dougall, 2. Girl rider: Miss Comerford, 1; M. Croaker, 2. Boy rider: F. Bode, 1; J. Logan, 2. Heavy draught stallion: J. Graham's King of the Isles. Stallion, under 4 years: T. Mann, 1; J. Crouch, 2. Under 3 years: T. Feeney, 1; T. Wills, 2. Yearling colt: T. Mann, 1. Gelding: A. Collard, 1; J. J. Pryke, 2. Mare: A. Dawes, 1 and champion; G. Bowden, 2. Mare, under 4 years: E. Wilson. Filly, under 3 years: A. Dawes. Filly: A. Dawes. Horse foal: A. Dawes. Active draught stallion: T. Nicholas.

In Durhams the chief prizes went to R. H. L. M'Dougall, W. Anderson, E. W. Sparke. George Loder won two prizes in polled Angus, and E. W. Sparke was first. In Ayrshires P. H. Morton won four firsts and three seconds, H. Croaker three firsts. The Alderney or Jersey prizes went to A. Cobb for bull, J. and W. Logan for bull under three years, A. Cobb for bull under two years, C. Kirk for bull calf, C. Kirk for cow under three years, A. Cobb for heifer of three years, E. Bowden for heifer of two years, E. Bowden for heifer of 12 months, A. Cobb for three heifers. In the Durham milking strain the winners were J. J. Eason, S. Arnott, A. Williams, P. H. Morton. In milking cows Bartlett and Verros and G. Bishop won prizes. In farmers' cattle the chief awards went to C. Searle's, by Prince, and J. Keen.

In pigs, prizes were won by J. J. Eason (three firsts), J. Lavis, G. Bowden, H. M'Dougall, J. Carter. The fat cattle awards went to H. M'Dougall (nine firsts), G. Loder, and E. Sparke.

In poultry, Mrs. D. Williamson was first in Brahmas, brown Leghorns, and Orpington hen; Mrs. H. Cadell won two firsts and two seconds in Minorcas; L. L. Ramsay was first and second in Orpington cocks, first in silver Wyandotte hen, and several seconds; H. M. Hamilton was first in Andalusian hen, and Mrs. Burke won in Andalusian cocks. J. W. Pender won well in Indian game and Plymouth rocks. Other prominent winners were:—Messrs. Hemsworth, Capper, Forster, Chatto Howard, Harris, Campbell, M'Donnell, House, Marsh, Carter, Goodman, Baker, Reid, Harrison, K. K. Ramsay, and E. W. Sparke.

HORTICULTURAL SHOW.

AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW.

The autumn flower show in connection with the Customs and Taxation Office Horticultural Society was held last evening in the Railway Institute, and was largely attended. In the absence of the Premier, who was prevented from attending through a prior engagement, the opening ceremony was performed by Mr. N. Lockyer, First Commissioner for Taxation. The collection of exhibits was of excellent merit, and called forth much admiration on the part of the visitors. Chief among the collection of flowers was the chrysanthemums, of which there was a really fine display of choice blooms. In the non-competitive section Mr. F. M'Quade had a display of 42 varieties that made up an excellent collection, and were much admired. In the same section Mr. S. Willetts, of Croydon, had a display of coleus and chrysanthemums. Mr. Atkins, of Eulalia Nursery, had a collection of palms. There was also an exhibit of assorted fruit by Mr. J. Morelli. The collection of vegetables was judged to be of a very superior kind, and at the conclusion of the show they were forwarded as a gift to the Benevolent Asylum.

During the evening a musical programme was rendered with success.

The following is the list of awards made by the judges, Messrs. J. H. Horton, George Kersiake, J. H. Halstead, J. R. L. Freeman, and J. Knaus:—

Special prize, No. 1.—12 cut blooms Japanese chrysanthemums (distinct), open to members of all horticultural societies in New South Wales: H. B. Arthur, 1; R. W. Harper, 2.

Special prize, No. 2.—6 cut blooms chrysanthemums (distinct): W. C. Fripp and S. Willetts, equal. Exhibit could not be divided by judges.

Special prize, No. 3.—6 cut blooms tea roses (distinct): T. Locker, 1; F. W. Gibbs, 2.

Section B.—Cut flowers: 3 cannas (distinct): G. W. Gilbert, 1. Miscellaneous cut flowers (six distinct varieties): S. E. Brown, 1; W. J. Wall, 2. 12 chrysanthemums: Miss May Brown, 1. 6 chrysanthemums: F. Brown, 1; H. Knapp, 2. 3 chrysanthemums: H. Knapp, 1; H. [illegible]. 6 cut roses: F. W. Gibbs, 1. [illegible] roses: Miss Dorothy Lockyer, 1; A. Knapp, 2. 3 light roses: N. Lockyer, 1; F. J. Meade, 2. 3 yellow roses: N. Lockyer, 1; W. J. Wall, 2. 3 dark roses: G. W. Gilbert, 1. 6 zinnias: G. W. Gilbert, 1. 12 carnations: F. W. Gibbs, 1. 6 carnations: G. W. Gilbert, 1. 6 pansies: G. W. Gilbert, 1. 6 bouquets: W. J. Wall, 1; A. Biggar, 2. Bridal bouquet: Mrs. Gilbert, 1; Mrs. Halloran, 2. 3 buttonhole bouquets: Mrs. Knapp, 1; Miss Biggar, 2. 3 breast sprays: Miss Gilbert, 1. Basket of flowers: Mrs. Edmonds, 1.

Section C.—Vegetables.—Best show of vegetables (six varieties): A. Biggar, 1; J. T. T. Donohoe, 2. Dish of Beans (French): G. W. Gilbert, 1; J. T. T. Donohoe, 2. 6 cabbages: J. T. T. Donohoe, 1; A. Biggar, 2. 6 carrots: J. T. T. Donohoe, 1. 6 turnips: J. T. T. Donohoe, 1. 6 beet: A. Biggar, 1. 12 radish (turnip): F. [illegible]. 12 radish (long): F. N. Camroux, 1. 6 lettuce: A. Biggar, 1. 6 tomatoes: A. Biggar, 1; J. T. T. Donohoe, 2.

Non-competitive Exhibits.—Mr. A. Atkins, Eulalia Nursery, collection of plants; Mr. S. Willetts, Croydon, 12 foliage begonias and pot grown chrysanthemums; Joe (the fruiterer), collection of fruit—[illegible].

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Religious Announcements.

Y.M.C.A.—FIRST LECTURE OF THE WINTER COURSE, FRIDAY EVNG., 27th April, 7.45 o'clock, LECTURE by Professor T. P. ANDERSON STUART, M.D., on the "BUBONIC PLAGUE," with Lantern Illustrations. Chairman, A. W. MEEKS, Esq. Admission Free. Res. Seats, 1s each. D. Walker, G. Sec.

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THE PLAGUE.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

In bringing prominently under the notice of the public of Australasia generally and of New South Wales in particular at the present moment the merits and curative properties of Vitadatio, I am not actuated entirely by a spirit of commercial enterprise or gain. Its curative properties are so well known, in fact are a household word in these colonies, that it is unnecessary to allude to them; but it is to its efficacy as an antidote to blood poisoning, as well as a curative, that I wish to allude.

THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE.

Impure blood makes itself manifest in countless ways—the system becomes like a drought-stricken district, that readily absorbs any sort of moisture. So it is with the human system. If the blood is pure, it will not absorb every microbe that approaches it, or if it does succeed in getting a hold it will be in a lesser degree, and much more easily dealt with.

Twelve months ago I sent a case of Vitadatio to Madras and wrote the authorities there my strong conviction that it would be found by them to be a sure antidote for this dread scourge, but presume professional jealousy has prevented a trial being given to it; at any rate, I have received no reply or report of any sort as to its effect.

My opinions and convictions are formed from MY OWN actual OBSERVATIONS and experience of cases of Blood Disorders and Poisonings, and so positive am I that Vitadatio WILL PREVENT and WILL CURE THE PLAGUE that I will give £10 to the first person who takes the Plague whilst taking Vitadatio, satisfactory proof that the medicine has been taken alone being required by me, and that proof a most simple one, viz., that the medicine is purchased either at the Head Institute, 184 Pitt-street, or one of my Branch Depots.

Educational.

CAMPBELLTOWN GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—A HOME for your BOY and a first-class EDUCATION.

COUNTRY NEWS.

AMENDED MUNICIPALITIES ACT.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

The Molong Council has submitted the following suggestions for inclusion in the amended Municipalities Act:—"That the Government take steps towards the consolidating of municipal loans with a view to lending money to councils at a low rate of interest; that easier facilities be afforded to municipalities with a view to curtailing the present unwieldy areas; that a Government auditor be appointed to act in conjunction with the auditors of the various councils to examine books and accounts and to assist the country municipalities to place their affairs on a satisfactory footing.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The children of the Public school to-night gave a concert in aid of the Patriotic Fund in the School of Arts. The hall was crowded with an enthusiastic audience. The programme embraced songs and choruses, mostly national in sentiment, and the cantata, "Red Riding Hood's Rescue." It was a most successful entertainment.

BOMBALA, Wednesday.

A man named Joseph Warburton, whilst riding along Maybe-street, was taken with a fit. He fell from his horse, and received injuries causing concussion of the brain.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

On and after May 1 the express train between Adelaide and Broken Hill will do the journey in about an hour and a half less than at present, owing to the accelerated speed on the narrow gauge line. The trains will leave and arrive at Adelaide at the same time as now, but instead of leaving Broken Hill at 7.10 will leave at 8.45, and instead of arriving at 8.15 will reach here at 10 minutes to 7.

It is intended to reopen the Tarrawangee Public school, which was closed when the flux quarries were shut down. A teacher will be appointed at once.

At a meeting of the members of the Lane-street Presbyterian Church last night it was decided to give a call to the Rev. D. W. R. Milne, of Clare, South Australia.

COOMA, Wednesday.

Mr. W. J. Lees, first assistant at the Cooma Post-office for the past six years, left yesterday for Forbes. Prior to his departure he was presented with a gold albert and pendant by his friends.

Mr. C. Wragge, Queensland Government Meteorologist, arrived here this morning.

CRAIGIE, Wednesday.

The first musical service under the newly-appointed choirmaster, Mr. Eldred, was held in the Church of England on Sunday.

A rainbow trout recently caught in the Quinburra River contained a roe weighing 1½os., which appeared in very forward condition.

DUBBO, Wednesday.

Alderman Lewis is going on a trip to Europe.

The council resolved that application be made to the Government to revoke the proclamation dedicating the town common, and to dedicate the same as a public recreation ground, appointing the council as trustees.

At the Easter vestry meeting Archdeacon Wilson announced that the Church of England school-hall was free from debt. The past year had been prosperous financially. The revenue derived from the new districts taken up by the curate, the Rev. Mr. Musgrove, was sufficient to cover the curate's stipend.

The Public Works Committee will take evidence at Dubbo on May 1 regarding the proposed Werris Creek railway.

The net proceeds of the railway picnic held at Dubbo was £70. The committee has voted two guineas to each of the hospitals at Bourke, Cobar, Nyngan, Warren, Dubbo, and Wellington. The balance will be used to start a fund to assist distressed railway employees in the Dubbo railway picnic district.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

Those storekeepers in favour of Friday as a half-holiday who asked for a second ballot have been informed that such cannot be taken until the expiry of 12 months.

GRAFTON, Wednesday.

The valuators' assessment of the rateable property in the borough for the current year shows £24,769 fair average annual value and £18,875 capital value.

LISMORE, Wednesday.

The autumn flower show of the Presbyterian Church was opened to-day. The dry weather has been much against flowers.

A send-off was given on Monday to Mr. T. Sinclair, manager for Messrs. Foley Brothers.

Mr. R. M. Pitt, one of the directors of the New South Wales Creamery Butter Company, and Mr. C. C. Lance, manager, yesterday met the directors of the Alstonville creamery factories, and intimated that the company had decided to erect another butter factory near Bulwinkel's farm.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

An elderly lady named Miss James was knocked down by a dog to-day, receiving a dislocation of one of her thighs and other injuries.

MORUYA, Wednesday.

Preparations for a general start with the harbour improvement works at Bateman's Bay are proceeding rapidly. The fourth and last punt is nearing completion, and a quarry about two miles up the river is being opened up. The department has called for tenders for the services of a tugboat to take punts to and from the quarry.

R. Geelan left Moruya for Braidwood with about 300 head of cattle. M. Keating has also started with a mob of about 150 head for the coast market.

NARRABRI, Wednesday.

Miss E. Maccardell, of St. Patrick's Church choir, was yesterday presented with an illuminated address by residents of Narrabri and West Narrabri.

Maud Clarke was tendered a farewell at the Salvation Army Barracks yesterday prior to leaving for the Training Home, Melbourne.

PENRITH, Wednesday.

A fire was discovered in the Federal Hotel yesterday morning by Nelson Price, who saw smoke issuing from the back balcony. The licensee, Mrs. Murphy, was away from home. Price roused the inmates, and succeeded in saving the building, although the bedding in two rooms on the western end was completely destroyed. The ceiling and the walls were damaged by the smoke and the flames. No person occupied the rooms. An inquest was held to-day before Mr. W. H. Mackenzie, the acting district coroner. The estimated loss by Mrs. Murphy was £13, and £10 would cover the building. The jury brought in a verdict that the place was wilfully set on fire by some person or persons unknown. A rider was added to the effect that Nelson Price was to be commended, as but for his prompt action the whole buildings would probably have been destroyed.

The monthly meeting of the Farmers and Settlers' Association was held to-night. Mr. J. J. Millen, manager of the Farmers' and Settlers' Association, was in attendance. To fill the vacancies on the committee caused by Messrs. Jeffery and Cannon leaving the district, Messrs. H. H. Tompson and F. J. Fowler were elected. The following delegates to the annual conference were elected:—Messrs. F. J. Loder and J. Hollier, with two substitutes—H. H. Tompson and G. G. Cooper. A motion was carried to the effect that the bag question should be discussed at the annual conference. A motion was carried that the Government should confine itself to experimental farming, and not come into competition with farmers. Another motion was carried to the effect that the Railway Commissioners should be asked to make more satisfactory arrangements for the more certain delivery of farm produce.

ROCKLEY, Wednesday.

Threshing is in full swing at Brownlea and Mountain Run. The average yield was 25 bushels.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

Anna Brunner, wife of John J. Brunner, of Sedgefield, near Singleton, was fined £30 at the Police Court to-day for selling liquor without a license. The fine was paid.

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

Mr. Solomon Joseph, 66, proprietor of the "Tamworth News," was found dead at 5.30 a.m. to-day in his office. He was missed at home early this morning, and a search was made, with the result that he was found lying on his back. Dr. Armstrong on arrival pronounced life to be extinct. The body was removed to the house, and will be forwarded by mail train to-night for interment in Sydney. It is supposed the cause of death was apoplexy. He leaves a widow, three sons, and four daughters.

TOMINGLEY, Wednesday.

The Public Works Sectional Committee intends visiting Dubbo on March 1 to take evidence regarding the proposed Narromine-Parkes line.

WEST WYALONG, Wednesday.

The Progress Committee intends to request the Government to resume a block of land in the main street belonging to Mr. J. Smethurst for a School of Arts.

A very large area of land will be under crop this year.

WOLLONGONG, Wednesday.

The quarterly meeting of the A. M. Hospital was held last night. The report showed that during the quarter 17 male and 13 female patients were admitted. During the same period 11 males and 8 females were discharged, and 2 male patients died. There were remaining in the institution at the end of the quarter four males and six female patients. Messrs. W. Evans, S. H. Boys, and the Rev. D'Arcy Irvine were elected to the visiting committee. The receipts for the quarter amounted to £202, and the expenditure to over £58. It was decided that in future all drugs and appliances be purchased wholesale, and that the improvement committee find out cost of connecting the medical officer's residence with the hospital by telephone.

The annual meeting of the Wollongong A. H. and I. Association was held last night. The progress made by the society during the past year was considered very satisfactory, and praise was accorded to the secretary for his services. The following committee was elected for the year:—Messrs. J. A. Beatson, W. M'Kenzie, A. Campbell, T. Farrell, F. Bevan, E. H. S. Nicolle, J. O'Donnell, Dr. Kerr, G. J. Gray, L. Carr, J. W. Hosking, W. Ahern, R. Wilson, W. H. Rees, E. Woods, D. W. Benson, W. Dwyer, A. Lang, E. H. Boys.

YOUNG, Wednesday.

The first prosecutions under the Early Closing Act came before the court to-day. Nominal fines were inflicted.

Several War Pictures are given in this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

Old Kruger's a bit out of reck'ning
If he thinks he will wriggle scot free,
No angels to him'll be beck'ning
When he swings by his neck from a tree,
He'll get a bad cough in the open
Exposed to the air, I am sure,
And his hands'll for ever be gropin'
For Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.—Advt.

THE INTERCOLONIAL PROTECTIONIST CONFERENCE.

A VISIT TO LITHGOW.

OPENING OF A SIEMEN'S STEEL FURNACE.

Although the climatic conditions on Tuesday morning did not promise very dry weather, during the day the protectionist delegates attending the conference now being held in this city assembled in good force at the Redfern railway station. The occasion was their acceptance of the invitation of Mr. William Sandford to be present at the opening of his new Siemen's steel furnace, which has been built in connection with the well-known Eskbank Ironworks, and which is the first smelting apparatus of the kind that has as yet been established in the colonies. To many of these gentlemen the processes through which ore and scrapiron pass before they are turned out in condition for handling on the anvil, in the vyce, or by the many other appliances that have been brought in to aid the hands of the ironworker, were quite unknown. To others well versed in all things pertaining to hardware the opportunity of getting a good view of the beauties of the Blue Mountains, even in foggy or rainy weather, and of examining that remarkable piece of engineering ingenuity known as the "Zigzag" by daylight, were altogether irresistible. Fortunately neither class of visitors was disappointed. The weather at no period of the day interfered with the objects of the trip. The sightseers missed little of the grandeur of the mountain steeps, and any loss of this nature was more than compensated for by the sight, unusual to plain-dwellers, of rolling masses of fleecy fog lazily trailing away hundreds of feet below the level of the spectators' eyes. Such glimpses of "cloudland" occurred at almost every turning of the tortuous railway track, and one's vision never wearied of the fantastic and even whimsical shapes into which the cloud wreaths sometimes wound themselves. But now and again there would come a break in the white mantle of vapour, and a glint of sunshine would reveal all the beauties of some tremendous gorge that yawned below. The journey was full of interest to everyone. Had it been longer no regrets would have been expressed.

Arrived at Eskbank, the party was conducted without delay to view the works. The delegates were first taken to the establishment of the Great Cobar Copper Syndicate, which is not only one of the "lions" of this busy little town, but also one of the most successful ventures of its kind ever entered upon in the colonies. Ore containing 3½ per cent. or thereabouts of copper is brought up to 40 per cent. "matte" at the Cobar mines. It is loaded then and brought down to the reducing and refining works at Lithgow, where in reverbatory furnaces it is brought up to 98 per cent. "pigs," and thence, in the refining furnaces, it is transformed into copper bullion. The arrangement of the Lithgow works is said by experts to be perfect, and the flue system is spoken of as the best in the colonies. The flue-dust, which is collected in the form of red oxide of copper, and which resembles the natural product to a marked degree, must amount to many hundreds of tons of copper per annum. The copper turned out by these works is considered to be very pure. Naturally it contains gold and silver, for the treatment of which it is stated the syndicate proposes to erect an electrolytical plant. The premises in which this important industry is carried on, save and excepting a fine, gracefully tapering smoke stack upwards of 130ft. high, have little to attract the visitors' attention. A scrambling shed over 100 yards in length, and entirely innocent of walls, seems to constitute the building. It is a mere shelter, and yet it sufficiently plays its part. It is substantial enough to be rain and sun proof, and in such works any obstructions to the ingress and egress of air are undesirable. But to the casual observer it takes the form of a Brobdingnagian roof to a street in Lilliput rather than anything else. Beneath it, and separated from each other by only a few paces, are the furnaces. At first glance one would take them for a lane of pigmy suburban tenements, and "jerry-built" at that, for each one is as much "out of plumb" as the leaning tower of Pisa, and these mimic dwellings have a ridiculous suggestion about them that they are bowing to each other as if saluting partners in a set of Parisian quadrilles. From the front door of each descends to the ground level a series of sandpits, into which the molten metal is run when the door is opened. As the upper pit fills and overflows the glowing stream runs into the pit below, and so on down the whole decline. It resembles the famous blue and pink terraces of Rotomahana (the destruction of which New Zealanders still deplore), not only on account of the physical construction of the pits, but because of the beautiful harlequin colours which the molten copper takes on as it cools in the sand moulds. At the further end of the lane the visitors were shown an annealing furnace, where plates were being submitted to this final operation before they passed into the hands of the coppersmith.

Only a step away they entered the Eskbank Ironworks, and a busy scene met their eyes. Here to the left were half a dozen stalwart Titans, swart and grimy, dragging clumsy, rough-edged, white-hot pieces of iron from the maws of a row of little furnaces across an iron floor, and deftly slipping their ends between ponderous revolving rollers, which, passing over, squeezed the irregular masses into sheets of any thickness that was desired. Amidst a tangle of driving belts, winding in and out amongst implements all noisy and more or less as uncouth in appearance as they were perplexing as to their objects and purposes, the party was hastened along until one sound alone affected their ears. It was a series of rhythmical but deafening percussions like blows from the hammer of Thor. The cause of all this din was a big Nasmyth steam-hammer. In make this fearsome battering ram is somewhat antiquated; nevertheless it can still deliver a blow the force of which might make the old Norse god envious, for to rival its puissance he would needs, as the saga says, have to grasp the haft of his hammer "till his knuckles grew white." A passing glance at other sets of rollers, where plugs of iron of no particular shape were drawn out into thin rods which wriggled like fiery snakes on the black iron floor-plates, or were transformed into flat strips for the shoeing smith or strong rigid angle-pieces for the shipbuilder, and the visitors were introduced to the galvanising department. Here plates such as those seen when entering the works, only neatly trimmed, are examined by eagle-eyed experts for flaws. If good they are "pickled" in an acid solution to remove all dirt, and when thoroughly cleansed are passed quickly through a spelter bath, with the result that on the other side they are emitted completely galvanised. Here, too, are the presses for stamping the corrugations into these sheets, if corrugated iron is required. In the small foundry adjoining a number of men were busy casting furnace doors and facings, an operation which also evoked considerable interest amongst the visitors. Thence a move was made towards the Siemens steel furnace, but en route a number of the gentlemen took occasion to inspect a portion of the Eskbank Colliery, the entrance to which is by a drive in convenient proximity to the works. The new furnace has been officially described as follows:—"It has been erected from plans prepared by the patentees, Frederick Siemens and Co., London, and is on their improved plan, known as 'Siemens' New Form Steel Furnace.' In this form of furnace the gas-producers are attached to and form part of the furnace building itself, and thus the waste heat can be used to help in again producing gas. The plant has been erected for the purpose of converting steel scrap (in the form of steel rails, springs, &c.) into mild steel ingots. This is done by first making a bath of molten pig-iron by means of the gas flame and then melting the scrap in it. The mixture having been melted it is allowed to flow into a ladle which runs on rails over a pit about 6ft. to 7ft. deep, 4ft. wide, and 30ft. long, in which the ingot moulds are placed ready to receive the steel when the furnace is tapped. The ingots are then allowed to cool, and are lifted out by means of a 'Priestman travelling jib crane,' placed on a trolly, taken to the rolling mills, re-heated, and rolled off into any required section. The furnace will melt a charge of four to five tons, and there should be three to four charges in each 24 hours. The stack, which is round, is 100ft. high, 4ft 6in. diameter at the base, and 3ft. diameter at the top, and has an ornamental cast-iron top—made at the works. The roof over the furnace and casting-pit has a span of 70ft., and a height at the pillars of 21ft., and is 60ft. long. It was designed and erected by the works staff. The silica bricks, blocks, and cement, also portion of the plates, ladles, valves, &c., were imported from England; the remainder of the plates were made at the works. The cost will be from £4000 to £5000, and the furnace will directly employ 15 to 20 hands, besides which it will give additional employment to the men at present working in the mills, in converting the material into bars, sheets, &c." When the visitors arrived it was found that the chamber had been charged with about three tons of metal and ore some time previously, but that two or three hours must elapse before the tap-holes could be opened. Later in the evening, when the party was seated at the banquet given by Mr. Sandford, it was announced that the charge had been run off most successfully, a statement which was greeted with cheers. Needless to say, Mr. Sandford was heartily congratulated.

The banquet, which was spread in the School of Arts, was a very enjoyable function, and the speeches were all well received. Mr. J. Cook, M.L.A., in proposing the health of Mr. W. Sandford, took occasion to remind the visitors that the industrial progress they had seen at Lithgow was in no way due to protection, but rather to the energy, industry, and business capability of Mr. Sandford and the gentlemen associated with him. Some amusement was caused when in responding to the toast Mr. Sandford roundly asserted that protection, and protection alone, was the cause of his success, as he could not have carried on if it had not been for the railway rates which enabled him to send his goods out west at a cheaper rate than the importers could. He added that the freetraders, to their everlasting disgrace, had tried to get these rates removed. To this final sally Mr. Cook retorted that there were protectionists as well as freetraders concerned in the movement for the abolition of these rates.

YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

A number of the delegates carried out what appeared on the programme as the "Social Itinerary" to the full by proceeding on the final picnic excursion to National Park yesterday, where they spent a very pleasant time.

THE BLACK LABOUR QUESTION.

The conference resumed the discussion of the motion brought forward by Mr. S. Mauger, M.L.A. (Victoria), and the amendment moved by Mr. John Crase. The motion was as follows:—"That this conference, in fixing the duty on sugar, does so with a view of enabling the Federal Government to make the exclusive employment of white labour imperative." The amendment was—"That in fixing the federal duty on the item of sugar the conference of delegates here assembled affirms the principle that in the interests of the large amount of capital, shipping, and general trade involved, and for the purpose of conserving the interests of white labour now employed in the Queensland sugar industry, it is desirable that no violent or premature change shall be made in the employment of Polynesian labour, but that rigid reservations as to the class of work to be performed shall be legislated for, so as to prevent any encroachment upon legitimate white labour."

The chair was taken by Mr. T. Rose, M.L.A. (New South Wales), and Mr. W. F. Schey continued the debate. He said that at the outset he wished to contradict an idea that seemed to have got abroad that those members of the conference who supported the employment of white labour only were making a special point of the case of Queensland. This was not the case. They simply said they wanted Australia to be a white man's country, and were against the employment of coloured labour under any circumstances in any part of Australia. The restrictions they wished to impose were to be applied equally to the coloured labour on the northern rivers of New South Wales, the Northern Territory of South Australia, and the employment of coloured labour so far as they had anything to do with it in North-west Australia. Their objection was not to the labourer because he was a coloured man, but they objected to any admixture of races in this country which were not prepared to stand on the same social plane as its white residents. They objected to anyone who was not able to take up the duties of citizenship as white people understood them, and stand on the same plane of civilisation as they were standing upon. His reading of Queensland papers showed that the conditions of morality amongst these labourers was low indeed. He held that the matter was not one of 160,000 or 200,000 tons of sugar, but whether the Australian race of the future was to be amixture such as was rapidly becoming the case in Queensland, where there were now kanakas, Hindoos, Javanese, Cingalese, Chinese—all sorts of mixtures. Were they going to propagate a race which would be a disgrace to Australia and a menace to the continent for all time? He had heard Mr. Angus Gibson, a well-known Queensland planter, say he was fully convinced that coloured labour in Queensland was doomed, and that the sugar planters would have to make their arrangements for doing away with it; and he not only recognised this, but also believed that they could grow sugar without it. When asked if he could mention the duty that would be necessary he said £3 per ton would be sufficient to pay white men's wages. He (Mr. Schey) wished to know if it was a question with the planters of the fitness or the cheapness of the black labourer. Was the kanaka a better workman, or was he a cheaper one? To preserve Australia for white people was worth any sacrifice that it was possible to make. (Hear, hear.) If it became necessary they should rely upon beet sugar, or failing that they should import their sugar from abroad rather than afford protection to an industry which could only be carried on by a servile race of semi-civilised people.

Mr. Franckel: Selfishness in the extreme.

Mr. Schey said it had been stated that the climate of North Queensland was too hot for any white men to work sugar in, but in reply to that he desired to point out that white men successfully worked in the stoke holds of steamers in the Red Sea, which was the hottest place known.

Mr. M. Rooney (Northern Queensland) scouted the idea of the kanakas ever becoming a predominant race in the colonies. He said the kanakas were engaged at their respective islands for three years' labour in the canefields, and when his time was up the "boy" almost invariably returned to his home. In the Townsville district there were not more than 10 time-expired kanakas. In fact the labour that troubled people up there most was the Japanese and Chinese, who were coming in and taking the bread and butter from the working men. But the kanakas would never compete with the white man. The experiment of doing the work by white labour had been tried time and again, and had always failed, and the men themselves had often said it "was a blackfellow's job, as white men could not stand the heat" when it was 120° in the shade, and the cane stood 2ft. or 3ft. above a man's head, and was so dense that not a breath of air could pass through it. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. W. T. C. Kelly (Victoria) pointed out that the workmen were not represented at this discussion, while the manufacturers were. It was a principle of the protectionist party that they should look after the interests of the workmen, and take care not to legislate in such a manner that the manufacturers got rich at their expense. (A Queensland delegate: "It is a question of carrying on at all, not of getting rich.") He thought the workmen of all the colonies were determined to make any sacrifice to carry out their principles, but they did not want to penalise Queensland, and would act towards Queensland as they had towards Victoria. The danger of this black labour influx was the possibility of a larger number coming into the colony under a system which legalised their competition with the white man. Unfortunately, none of the Queensland delegates were practical planters; but Mr. Angus Gibson, who was a practical planter, had distinctly said that with a duty of £5 per ton he would be able to do away with the kanakas, and he only asked for a reasonable time to make the necessary arrangements. He (Mr. Kelly) for one did not believe that Mr. Gibson had ever really withdrawn that statement, although he could quite understand that when that gentleman returned to Queensland he might have been urged to do so. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Macfarlane, M.L.A. (New South Wales), said he wished the Queensland delegates to dismiss from their minds the idea that there were any designs upon the sugar industry. As protectionists, all present were anxious for the success of all industries. It had been conclusively proved that the sugar industry could be profitably carried on in the north of New South Wales. The Colonial Sugar Company were the principal labour employers, and they did not employ one black person in the whole of their works. They paid from 33s to 35s a week for cutting cane and the very best of rations, and they had no difficulty in getting white labour to cut cane. A cane cutter received rations on the following scale:—17lb. meat per week, 7lb. flour, 8lb. potatoes, ½lb. tea, 3½lb. sugar, and the sundries that usually accompany meals. Some of the smaller men engaged Hindoos, but their reason was that this form of labour was cheaper. They found that white labour could "trash" cane if the men were well paid for the work. Thirty years ago he (Mr. M'Farlane) grew sugarcane with white labour, and the men then made good wages. But other ways of getting over the difficulty could be suggested. Why could not the "trashing" be done in the cool months of winter or by increasing the crushing power and working a shorter season. (Hear, hear.) If the Federal Parliament allowed cheap labour they would have to allow it throughout the colonies, and the result would be that New South Wales would go in for kanaka labour. It was to be remembered that the extreme heat of Queensland also meant increased density of the cane juice, and so planters there reaped an advantage on that account, and besides they did not have to contend with the severe frosts to the same extent that were experienced in the north of this colony. If some restriction upon coloured labour were not adopted it would be necessary to impose an excise duty of £2 or £3 per ton upon all sugar grown by coloured labour, and that would enable the sugar growers of New South Wales to compete with them. If this were done he thought little more would be heard of the black labour question. In his view the Queenslanders were on the wrong track when they imagined that if coloured labour was done away with it would mean the abolition of the sugar industry in the northern colony. (Cheers.)

The Hon. Gregor M'Gregor, M.L.C. (South Australia), maintained that white men could do anything that coloured men could do in any part of the globe—they could do more and better work and last longer at it, and if they were superior in everything else they were surely superior in the matter of cutting a few sugar-canes. Under any circumstances or conditions a white man could take his place beside a coloured man. Another thing seemed to be forgotten, and that was that many experts now considered that the operation now known as "trashing" cane was unnecessary. It was well known that many mechanics in Queensland had been obliged to sign a petition against the withdrawal of black labour on the ground that if there was no black labour in the field there would be no employment for white men in the mills or the workshops. A Bundaberg planter had told him that there was no work in connection with the sugar-growing industry which a kanaka could do which he could not do himself, and do twice as well, although he was 65 years of age. When asked why he gave employment to the 14 "boys" whom he had on his place he replied that as they had been brought to the country and were about the place he might as well give them something to do. (Hear, hear.) They might rest assured that when Australasia was in a position to deal with this question she would do so, and neither Great Britain nor any other European power would attempt to prevent it. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. I. R. Cohen said he was assured that the Queensland coloured labourers were not subjected to conditions of slavery such as had been alluded to by some members of the conference, but that did not discount his strong objection to the employment of black labour in the colonies. He maintained that the work could be done by white men if a fair wage were paid.

After short speeches by Messrs. Fairlie (Queensland), W. J. Lormer (Victoria), W. Moss (Queensland), and F. Gum (South Australia), Mr. S. Mauger, with concurrence, amended his motion to read as follows:—"That this conference, in fixing the duty on sugar, does so with a view to enable the Federal Government to take such steps that, say within two years, they may bring about the entire abolition of coloured labour."

On a vote being taken Mr. Crase's amendment was rejected, and Mr. Mauger's motion carried by 15 votes to 4. The delegates voting in the minority were Messrs. Franckel, Fairlie, Rooney, and Moss. Mr. J. Crase, who was absent, had paired against the motion.

The conference at 11 p.m. adjourned until the following day.

The Bushmen in Camp at Rookwood is the subject of several illustrations in this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

For Influenza and Cold in the Head Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

The Bushmen marching past at the Easter Review, a beautiful double-page in this week's "Mail."—Advt.

THE COMMONWEALTH BILL.

OUR DELEGATES IN LONDON.

WARM WELCOME.

PROSPECTS OF THE MEASURE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, March 23.

The Australian delegates sent here in connection with the passing, or at least with the presentation, of the Commonwealth Enabling Bill have now been here for the better part of a fortnight, so that those of them—Mr. Barton included—who were quite new to the capital of the Empire have had time to acclimatise themselves, or at least to get their eyes accustomed to the unfamiliar light of the place. As for Mr. Barton himself (with whom is Mrs. Barton, who has been joined by her son from Oxford), he owns that he has been most impressively struck by our huge metropolis, the heart and brain of the Empire, and by the vast variety and complexity of the interests represented here. He had, of course, certain preconceived notions of the character of London, but he admits that these ideas fell far short of the actuality. On the other hand, if Mr. Barton has been favourably struck by London, London, so far, has been just as agreeably impressed with Mr. Barton as a man Australian to the core, yet not in the least provincial, an Imperialist in spirit as well as a sturdy colonial—a man of strong character, robust understanding, clear head, and tenacious purpose. Both he and his colleagues have no words to convey their sense of the warmth of their welcome from the official and the social world of London, or of the way in which the authorities are seeking to facilitate their task by every kind of furtherance. As for their social reception, several of the best clubs in London, such as the Athenæum, the Devonshire, the Constitutional (where I am penning this letter), the St. Stephen's, the National Liberal, and others, have hastened to make the delegates honorary members, while they are simply overwhelmed with social invitations, which, as the season advances, will become more overwhelming still. If the delegates are able to return home with unimpaired digestions, that will prove that they have the very strongest constitutions as men, even if they do not carry back with them a Federal Constitution. Moreover, they are the objects of equal attention from the Liberals, who are out of power, and the Conservatives, who are in office, for it has long become a principle with our politicians that Imperialism knows no party, while it is admitted by all that the federation of Australia is but one of the steps preliminary to the federation of the whole Empire. Lord Rosebery was one of the first to propound the view that both political parties in the State must sink their difficulties under the Imperial flag, and consequently, though not in office, he was one of the first to invite to his table Mr. Barton and some of his colleagues. Lord and Lady Carrington followed suit, and then Mr. Chamberlain the other day gave a dinner to several members of the Government at his house, Princes-gardens, for the purpose of introducing them to the Australian delegates. Amongst the party were Mr. Balfour, the Duke of Devonshire, Sir Robert Herbert, Sir Richard Webster, the Earl of Halsbury, the Earl of Hopetoun, the Marquis of Lansdowne, the Bishop of London, Sir Robert Finlay, Sir Philip Fysh, the Hon. A. Deakin, the Earl of Selborne, the Hon. Edmund Barton, Q.C., the Hon. J. R. Dickson, Mr. S. H. Parker, Q.C., and the Right Hon. C. C. Kingston. Mr. Goschen was prevented by indisposition from attending. On April 25 the annual dinner of the Colonial Institute is to be held in the Whitehall rooms of the Hotel Metropole, under the presidency of Lord Onslow, Under Secretary of State for India, and among the other engagements up to date of the delegates are a dinner with Mr. Cosmo Bonsor, M.P. (chairman of the South-Eastern Railway), a lunch with the Speaker of the House of Commons, dinner with the Canadian and Australasian Clubs, the Goldsmith Company, and other City corporations.

So much then, meanwhile, for the social aspect of the delegates' mission; and as to the real object of this mission, which is not the eating of dinners, but the despatch of business—though in some cases Englishmen are fond of combining the two—Mr. Chamberlain has placed every facility in the way of the consultative body of men for whom he cabled to Australia. Among other things he hastened to place at their disposal a spacious room at the Colonial Office, where they could meet among themselves or with representatives of the Government to arrange details and indulge in what the diplomatists call pourparlers; while Mr. A. G. Berry, himself the son of an Australian ex-Premier, has been lent to them as secretary by the Agent-General of Victoria. Every day during the past week, since their first interview with Mr. Chamberlain and the law officers of the Crown, the delegates have met in conference at the Colonial Office, in order to discuss the objections that were then raised to the Commonwealth Bill in its present form. And here I may point out, what Mr. Barton very justly complains of, that the most erroneous conceptions still appear to be entertained by the press to this Privy Council appeal question—that portion of the press, at least, which has hitherto concerned itself with the bill at all; for the delegates are astonished beyond measure at the apparent indifference of the British public to a measure of such momentous importance for the whole Empire. I was talking to-day on this subject to a prominent politician, and expressed my astonishment that the press seemed to be so little conscious of what was afoot in Australia. "Yes," he observed with a laugh, "it is always so with such things; we shall wake up some day and ask ourselves how the devil it came about that we missed this." But the real truth of the matter is, as I said in my last letter, that the British public are at present exclusively absorbed with the war, and have neither eyes nor ears for anything else.

Up to the hour of writing the delegates had not presented to Mr. Chamberlain the memorandum which they have been elaborating for the last six days, but it will be handed to him to-morrow, and it is expected that the bill will be laid before Parliament before the Easter recess, though I fear that the delegates are a little too sanguine as to the rapidity with which it will be carried to a third reading. There was a rumour a few days ago that some of them might be called to the bar of the House to speak for and against the measure, but I fear there is little likelihood of this.

The Hon. I. A. Isaacs, Q.C., M.L.A., of Victoria, who with Mrs. Isaacs is now on a visit to London has been interviewed.

"What about the passage of the bill as submitted through the British Parliament?" was the principal question asked.

"As to that," said Mr. Isaacs, "I earnestly and sincerely hope that the Legislature will see its way to pass the bill without alteration. No amendment is possible now without reference back to the people of Australia. They have accepted the bill as it is, and any variation would of course be a departure from the measure that they have requested the British Parliament to enact. The Commonwealth Bill is the culmination of enormous effort and mutual sacrifices by the colonies that are parties to it. It is the result of many years of ceaseless, energetic, endeavour to find a common basis for Australian nationhood within the Empire. It merely concerns our internal organisation and affairs, and no one but an Australian can properly realise what bitter disappointment it would be if at this juncture any difficulty should arise."

What is thought in Liberal circles on the passing of the measure may well be conveyed in the words let fall the other night at a banquet given by the City Liberal Club in honour of Sir Edward Grey. Lord Carrington, formerly Governor of New South Wales, in proposing the toast of "Her Majesty's Forces, Home and Colonial," said the toast he had to propose really meant the sons of the whole Empire who saved the whole situation. Referring to the marvellous outburst of loyalty towards the mother country which had been evinced in Canada and Australia, Lord Carrington said it was a dangerous doctrine to assert that this was either a Tory discovery or a Conservative creation, and compared it to one of the great Australian underground rivers, which sometimes come to the surface and then disappear into the bowels of the earth, and, when tapped, throw up a mighty geyser, which rushes away to join the rivers that run into the sea. Lord Carrington also called attention to the rumour that the constitution of the new Australian Commonwealth Bill was likely to be jeopardised by interference or alteration by the English Parliament. No one would be more ready than the Australian delegates to declare, and no one ought to be more ready than the average Englishman to admit, that the questions on which the delegates are affording information cannot at this stage be made the subject of alteration, even if the alteration were an improvement. (Hear, hear.) With the full knowledge of England, and under statutes which no attempt had been made to disallow, the Australian Constitution had been ratified by 376,000 votes against 141,000. In the face of this were they to be arrogant enough to say to these countrymen of ours, "You, the citizens of the Empire, have made your compact, but it is the pleasure of England to say, You must make another?" He earnestly trusted that the Liberal party would stand firm, shoulder to shoulder, and absolutely refuse to be a party to any alteration of the great Australian compact. (Cheers.)

It is the prevalence of conflicting views which caused a member of the House of Commons to remark the other night that "if it turned out to be true that both New Zealand and Western Australia entered a formal protest against the Commonwealth the measure should, in the best interests of Australia, be sent back to the people for their assent. The Government," he said, "will not risk such future trouble to the Commonwealth as a secession of States because it happens to desire to rush the bill through for its own convenience and as a personal favour to a handful of Australian lawyers who are the delegates appointed to pull the bill through."

Another well-known member said: "England's Constitution took us centuries to obtain; surely our brothers of Australia can manage with our old one for a few months longer. It is a wise rule to begin right. If the Australian Commonwealth begins with such a flaw in their Constitution they will begin wrong."

I have endeavoured to give as correct a reflection as possible of the state of public opinion on the Commonwealth Bill. But the truth is, that public opinion on the subject will not be properly elicited until the bill is laid before Parliament, which it certainly will be before this letter reaches Sydney. Meanwhile, says the "Daily Chronicle," which strongly advocates Imperial compliance with the wishes of Australians:—"That Mr. Chamberlain himself is sound enough upon this question we do not doubt. We have no desire to deny him the credit of having done good work in the gradual tightening of the bonds of mutual interest which are drawing our scattered possessions closer together in their political relations. But even Mr. Chamberlain finds it difficult to overcome prejudices which to the Tory of the old style are a matter of instinct. We confess that we cannot ourselves see the least reason for imposing any obstacle to the passage of the bill. The question of federation is fraught with such vast possibilities for the welfare of Australia in particular, and of the British Empire in general, that it would surely be better to accept the risk of possible modification in the future than to endanger, by an irritating delay, the existence of a scheme which it has taken 20 years of strenuous effort to mature. The economic development of Australia has been too long retarded by intercolonial jealousies, and we shall assume a heavy responsibility if, by any action on our part, we assist towards the continuance of the conditions which should now pass into the limbo of the forgotten. It is quite possible that, with the greater commercial advantages and opportunities which federation will afford, Australia will present features not dissimilar from those which the present century has witnessed in Germany under the influence of the Zollverein. There a number of comparatively poor and weak States, distracted by petty jealousies, have grown into a united and wealthy nation. There is no reason why, if we allow the colonies a free hand, they should not in the coming century be the Germany of the Pacific Ocean."

CHORAL MUSIC IN ENGLAND.

IMPRESSIONS OF THE REV. P. J. SIMPSON.

A great deal of time was occupied by the Rev. P. J. Simpson, precentor of St. Andrew's Cathedral, who returned from a visit to England yesterday, in studying the musical arrangements at the leading cathedrals and churches. As his training qualifies him to express opinions, what he has to say on the subject will doubtless prove of considerable interest. Mr. Simpson states: "There has been a general rise in the standard of cathedral and church music throughout the home country during the past 10 years. This is most marked. St. Paul's Cathedral, London, is, facile princeps, ahead of any I have visited in these respects. Sir George Martin is there the chief organist. The boys' voices in St. Paul's choir are wonderfully good, and the tone and finish of the choral singing generally there are splendid. The choral work done at King's College, Cambridge, although quite of a different character, is remarkably good. It partakes more of the style of chamber music than of the grand effects produced at St. Paul's, but the balancing of the voices is perfect. In St. Paul's there is spent on the musical portion of the services about £10,000 per year. Every encouragement is given to the formation of choirs throughout England, and they are liberally maintained. One attraction to join is payment by the church authorities for the completion of choir boys' musical education after their voices have broken. Choir schools are also established, to obtain entrance to which there is much competition. The instruction given there is very helpful. Musical festivals held throughout England have had also a very great influence in strengthening and improving the church choirs. Boys and men in parish choirs are now much better and more generally paid than formerly. I met Sir George Martin frequently, and also Sir Frederick Bridge, chief organist at Westminster Abbey. Mr Lemaire, the organist of St. Margaret's, Westminster, is amongst the most eminent of church musicians. Sir George Martin is taking a leading position as a composer. Sir John Stainer, I heard, is just completing another 'Crucifixion,' which will be published shortly. The leading church authorities when selecting an organist lay great stress on an organist being a good choir trainer. It is usual for the organist to be also choirmaster. There has been much improvement in organ-building, and organists are now as a rule more capable than formerly, owing to the establishment of the Royal College of Organists, whose degree is looked upon as the highest attainment which an organist can secure. I notice that a great deal more music is used in church services in England than was the case a decade ago. One of the most impressive services I attended was the in memoriam service at St Paul's in connection with the British reserve on the Tugela River. I was very much struck at the general use in the churches of the cathedral psalter for pointing the psalms. The chants in the cathedral psalter are not nearly so frequently used. Parish churches either have chant compilations of their own or use the St. Paul's or Abbey chant books. I heard several oratorios. One of the best was the 'Redemption' at the Albert Hall, where Sir F. Bridge was conducting. I was also present at one of the final rehearsals of Coleridge Taylor's 'Hiawatha.' I heard nearly all the leading preachers. Pulpit oratory in England is generally very fine. The men who have got the greatest hold on London are Canon Gore, the Bishop of Stepney, and Canon Scott-Holland. I think what I have seen and heard in England will be of use in improving the musical services at St. Andrew's Cathedral."

The Annandale-Leichhardt local union of Christian Endeavour held its quarterly rally on Tuesday evening in the Helsarmel Mission Church, Leichhardt. The Rev. M. Beavley (president of the union) presided, the Rev. H. S. Anderson, M.A., being also on the platform. The meeting took the form of a conference on "Sabbath Desecration." Two short addresses on the question were delivered by Messrs. F. J. Simons and Blackmore, papers being read by Mrs. R. A. Mackintosh and Miss Elliot. A number of those present took part in a discussion which followed.

EVIDENCE FROM ADELONG.

MR. RICHARD YOUNG, WHO SUFFERED WITH HEPATITIS, DYSPEPSIA, FLATULENCE, &c., PROMPTLY AND QUICKLY CURED BY CLEMENTS TONIC.

(By Our Special Reporter.)

Hearing that Mr. Richard Young had arrived in Sydney on a visit, our special reporter took the opportunity of interviewing him at No. 56 Phillip-street, Enmore, Sydney, where he is staying, as to his late illness and the manner of his cure by Clements Tonic.

Mr. Young is an orchardist of note, and took no less than nine prizes for his fruit last year. His orchards and residence are situated at Adelong, N.S.W.

"Have you any objection to being interviewed concerning your illness?" asked our reporter.

"None whatever," replied Mr. Young, "you are welcome to the fullest particulars. It commenced with a terrible pain in the shoulder. I couldn't think what was the matter with me. I began to get very bad headaches, and felt very sleepy and weary in the day time. I could lie down anywhere and doze off, and if I had only half a mile to walk I felt inclined to sit down two or three times on the way to take a rest. My appetite was very queer. I had fancies for all sorts of things, and when they were prepared for me I couldn't so much as touch them. My sleep at nights was very unsettled, though I generally slept heavily in the morning. When I woke my mouth was always in a very bad state, with a taste in it as of gall. One of the most distressing symptoms was a painful swelling over the bowels. This, I think, was caused by my food fermenting in my stomach, and causing wind to collect there. It was most painful. The food would often appear to remain higher up undigested, and this also caused me much pain. My digestive organs were in a very bad state. I consulted a doctor, and he prescribed for me. He told me I had inflammation of the liver. I don't think his medicine did me any good, for I got slowly worse. Ultimately I had to lie up. It was then I took Clements Tonic, and it had a most wonderful effect. From the time of the first dose I began to improve, and got better every day. I had got very thin whilst I was ill, but I began to pick up flesh again very fast. I got rid of that heavy, sleepy feeling, also the headaches were less frequent and gradually disappeared altogether. I took Clements Tonic steadily, and in a very short time it quite cured me of my liver complaint and all its accompanying disagreeable symptoms. Sometimes, since, I have felt a little bit off colour from various causes. I then take Clements Tonic, say about half a bottle, and it makes me feel I could jump over a gate. Even during this short visit to Sydney I have had to take Clements Tonic. I felt a trifle indisposed from some cause or another. I took a few doses of my favourite remedy, and it pulled me together at once, and I now feel as well as possible. I very often recommend Clements Tonic to my neighbours in the country, and they always tell me afterwards that it has cured them in a surprisingly short time. You may publish this interview if you wish in any way you like."

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, Richard Young, of Adelong, in the colony of New South Wales, orchardist, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the preceding statement, written on this and the two preceding sheets, is a true account of my illness and cure by Clements Tonic; and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act made and passed in the ninth year of the reign of her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the more effectual abolition of Oaths and Affirmations taken and made in the various departments of the Government of New South Wales, and to substitute Declarations in lieu thereof, and for the suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial Oaths and Affidavits."

Richard Young

Declared at Sydney, this second day of May, 1898, before me, C. H. FOLEY, J.P.

BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS.

Some imitate our name. Some copy our label. And some plagiarise our advertisements. In fact, we are followed in everything but in the curative properties and therapeutic value of Clements Tonic. The imposition is barefaced and palpable enough for a dunce to see through, and needs but little comment from us. Every genuine article has to face such practices. A host of base imitations always follows in the wake of every genuine article.—Advt.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—April 25.

Tambo, s., 732 tons, Captain W. S. Wyllie from Hobart. Passengers—Mrs. Wilson, Misses Coulter, De Burgh, E. De Burgh, M. Duggan, Sourvaby, Messrs. Pine, Bruce, H. Wakeham, J. Forsythe, J. Roberts, Housten, and five in second cabin. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Cavaliere Ciampa, ship, 1709 tons, Captain Maresca, from Marseilles, via Melbourne. Wunderlich Patent Ceiling and Roofing Company, Limited, agents.

Hi Yei, Japanese warship, from Japan via Queensland ports.

Newcastle, s., 1251 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

DEPARTURES.—April 25.

R.M.S. Cuzco, for London, via ports.
Tomoana, s., for London, via Auckland.
Birksgate, s., for Noumea and Fiji.
Hawea, s., for Devonport, via Newcastle.
Australian, s., for Newcastle.
Woollahra, barque, for Honolulu, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—April 26.

Waihora, s., for Auckland and New Zealand ports; Burwah, s., for Rockhampton, via ports; Murray, s., for Moruya, Bermagui, and Tathra; Illawarra S. N. Company's steamers for Ulladulla, Merimbula, Eden, Bermagui, Tathra, and Pambula; Namoi, s., for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—April 25.

Cuzco, Royal Mail steamer, 3910 tons, Captain W. S. Shelford, for London, via ports, with passengers as published yesterday.

Tomoana, s., 5879 tons, Captain W. S. Fishwick, for London, via Auckland.

Hawea, s., 1750 tons, Captain J. Abram, for Devonport, via Newcastle, with part original cargo.

Australian, s., 2839 tons, Captain P. T. Helms, for Newcastle.

Woollahra, barque, 945 tons, Captain J. Williamson, for Honolulu, via Newcastle.

Birksgate, s., 1477 tons, Captain C. A. Thorpe, for Noumea, Suva, and Levuka. Passengers—Mrs. Smiles and 2 infants, Mrs. J. C. Doyle, Mrs. Long, Miss Hancock, Miss Nicholson, Miss Montagnat, Mr. R. Cocks, Mr. J. C. Doyle, Mr. M. B. Richards, Mr. H. Foldi, Mr. J. H. Garrick, and 15 in the steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—April 25.

Amy Moir, ketch, Captain J. Farrell, for Camden Haven.

IMPORTS.—April 25.

(A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.)

Cavaliere Ciampa, ship, from Marseilles, via Melbourne: 350,000 tiles, 48,000 shingle tiles, 2381 slabs marble, 26 cases cork bricks, 25 cases terra cotta, 2 barrels wine, 3 cases cherry brandy, and sundries.

Mintaro, s., from Adelaide, via Kingston: 400 bags flour, 67 bags bark, 126 cases fruit, 5 bags almonds, 110 cases beer, 4 quarter-casks wine, 10 cases drapery, 8 packages machinery, 4 packages ploughs, 9 packages drugs, and sundries.

Tambo, s., from Hobart: 10632 cases and 1670 half-cases fruit, 33 bales hops, 10 cases sauce, 38 cases jam, 197 cases pulp, 19 cases evap. fruit, 6 cases sundries, and 1900 cases and 308 half-cases fruit, 28 cases pulp for Queensland ports.

EXPORTS.—April 25.

Cuzco, R.M.S., for London, via ports: 148 bales wool, 128 bales leather, 75 casks tallow, 2127 cases meats, 1000 bags flour, 200 cases wine, 5 tierces beef, 11 boxes butter and cheese, 5 bars bullion (£5300), 6405 ingots copper, 10 bars dore bullion, 5000 bars lead, 7 cases shells, 5 cases plateware.

Tomoana, s., for London, via Auckland: 20,542 bars lead, 2 cases curios, 16 packages merchandise, and sundries; also original cargo from London to Auckland.

Custom-house.—Entered outwards: April 25, Mary Moore, barque, 544 tons, Captain G. P. Wood, for Lyttelton, via Newcastle; Tambo, s., 732 tons, Captain W. J. Wyllie, for Hobart.

Captain J. T. Anderson reports that the steamer Mintaro left Port Adelaide on the 17th instant, Port Caroline (S.A.) on the 21st instant, rounded Cape Otway at 9.35 a.m. on the 22nd, Wilson's Promontory at midnight, Gabo at 9.30 p.m. on the 23rd. Experienced fresh to strong E.N.E. winds until passing the Promontory; off Montague Island very heavy rains. Entered Sydney Heads at 12.50 a.m. on the 25th.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Orizaba left Colombo on April 23, outwards.
The R.M.S. India arrived at Suez on the morning of the 23rd, homeward.

PASSENGERS TO ARRIVE BY THE R.M.S. ORTONA.

The R.M.S. Ortona, from London, left Melbourne yesterday, and is due here to-morrow. An advance list of passengers to hand contains the following names:—Mr. Blackwood, Miss Brisco, Mr. C. Cheese, Mrs. K. E. Clarke, Mr. A. M. Clark, Mr. H. C. Clark, Miss E. Clark, Miss G. Clark, Miss P. Clark, Mr. F. J. Cleary, Miss Connell, Mr. W. H. Couldery, Mr. W. J. Dunne, Mr. G. H. Emmet, Mr. W. F. Farquhar, Mr. J. H. Fawcett, Rev. J. Fisharan, Mr. F. F. Gastrell, Mr. M. Gray, Miss Stevenson Hamilton, Dr. Hanson, Mr. W. M. Hill, Mr. J. Hind, Mr. W. Horrocks, Miss Horrocks, Miss Hunter, Mr. E. B. Lamb, Rt. Hon. Lord Lamington, Lady Lamington, and family, Professor A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Boucher and child, Mr. C. J. Brodrick, Miss B. Brown, Miss B. Browning, Mr. A. H. Carter, Mr. D. H. Edgar, Mr. A. H. Heber Percy, Madame Sidone, Mr. R. Forsyth, Mrs. Grayson, Miss Hildreth, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mahoffy and family, Mr. H. C. Whiteford, Hon. and Mrs. A. Heron Wilson, Mr. G. H. Wingate, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Pochin, Mr. T. Pownall, Mr. and Mrs. F. Pratt and family, Miss Rowcliffe, Rev. Dr. Sellors and Mrs. Sellors, Rev. P. J. Simpson, Mr. T. W. Smythe, Rev. J. Southern, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cappelaine Taylor and child, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wood and child, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. F. Engel, Mr. A. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ritchie, Mr. W. H. Smith, Mr. F. J. Wilson, Mr. N. Watson, Rev. and Mrs. Brough and two children, Rev. and Mrs. Cullen, Carl Ekenberg, Mr. G. Fountain, Mr. R. S. Fountain, Mr. C. E. Kenberg, Mr. W. Foudt, Mr. M. Ryan, Mr. J. Walshe.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: April 25, Leura, s., from Townsville; Harport, s., from Rockhampton. Departures: April 25, Eurimbla, s., for Rockhampton; Harport, s., for Sydney; Lady Lamington, s., for Bundaberg.

DOUBLE ISLAND.—Departure: April 25, Dawn, s., from Rockhampton.

GLADSTONE.—Arrival: April 25, Innamincka, s., from Cooktown. Departure: April 25, Innamincka, s., for Melbourne.

MARYBOROUGH.—Arrival: April 25, Julia Percy, s., from Brisbane.

BOWEN.—Arrival: April 25, Colac, s., from Brisbane. Departure: April 25, Colac, s., for Cairns.

YAMBA.—Departure: April 25, Kallatina, s., for Sydney from Maclean. A large barque passed south; Lord of the Isles is ready for sea.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: April 25, Changsha, s., from Adelaide; Wyoming, s., from the Clarence; Trilby, s., from Cape Hawke; Namoi, s., Burrawong, s., Rosedale, s., Coraki, s., Tamar, s., Wyrallah, s., Duckenfield, s., Excelsior, s., St. George, s., Glaucus, s., Isabella, Hannah Nicholson, Jones Brothers, Advance, Jane, Loch Lee, schooners, Fanny Fisher, barque, from Sydney. The Eliza Allen, schooner, from Nambucca, bound for Sydney, returning through stress of weather. Departures: April 25, Andania, s., for Port Pirie, with 2550 tons coal; Lonsdale, barque, for Honolulu, with 2129 tons Greta coal; Quathlamba, barque, for Napier, with 720 tons coal; Northern Chief, barque, for Auckland, with 590 tons coal; Queen Mary, s., for Melbourne, with 1700 tons coal; Excelsior, s., for Byron Bay; Burrawong, s., for Trial Bay; St. George, s., for the Richmond; Coraki, s., for Port Macquarie; Rosedale, s., for The Manning; Wallsend, s., Tamar, s., Namoi, s., for Sydney.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: April 25, Ortona, R.M.S., from London; Ville de la Ciotat, s., from Marseilles; Pateena, s., from Launceston; J. C. Taylor, ketch, from Circular Head; Wilcannia, s., from Sydney. Departures: Damascus, s., and Gulf of Siam, s., for London, via Capetown; Knight of St. George, s., Port Denison, s., Peregrine, s., Ville de la Ciotat, s., and Ortona, R.M.S., for Sydney.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: April 25, Gabo, s., Buninyong, s., from Melbourne. Departures: April 25, Empire, ship, for Newcastle; Paroo, s., for Melbourne.

PORT PIRIE.—Arrival: Hellas, ship, from Adelaide. Departures: April 25, Cambusdoon, barque, for Antwerp; Time, s., for Newcastle.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Departure: April 25, Augusta at 5.50 p.m.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Departure: April 25, Tomki, s., at 5 p.m., for Sydney. 12ft. on bar, and 11ft. on inside channel at high water. Passed: Burwah, s., at 11.10 a.m., south; Warrego, s., at 11.30 a.m., south; Barrabool, s., at 1.45 p.m., south; Aorangi, R.M.S., at 4.40 p.m., north.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Departures: April 25, Macleay, s., at 6.25 a.m., for Sydney; Kallatina, s., at 3.30 p.m., for Sydney. Lord of the Isles, schooner, ready for sea. Passed: A large barque, white ports, at 5 p.m., south.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Passed: April 25, R.M.S. Aorangi at 11 a.m., north; Macleay at 2.50 p.m., south.

BELLINGER HEADS.—April 25, Violet Doepel and Myall are barbound.

TRIAL BAY.—April 25, Volunteer, s., at anchor in bay.

SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: April 25, Aorangi, R.M.S., at 6.20 a.m., north; Wodonga, s., at 2.50 p.m., north.

CAMDEN HAVEN.—Departure: April 25, Volunteer at 8 a.m., for Macleay River.

CROWDY HEAD.—Passed: April 25, Electra, s., at 1.23 p.m. south.

MANNING HEADS.—Departure: April 25, Gwendoline, schooner, at 4 p.m., for Sydney.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arrival: April 24, Forest Queen, ketch, at 5.30 p.m. April 25 Swansea, s., at 6 a.m., from Newcastle; Mary Laurie at 5.30 p.m., Aleda at 8 p.m.

PORT STEPHENS.—April 25, Laura, ketch, at anchor in Nelson's Bay. Departure: Wollumbin, s., at 4.40 p.m. Passed: Candidate, ketch, at 6.30 a.m., north; Trilby, s., at 7.20 a.m., south; Kincumber, s., at 9.10 a.m., south; Burrawong, s., at 2 p.m., north; Nambucca, s., at 2.15 p.m., south; St. George, s., at 3.30 p.m., north; a topsail schooner at 4.40 p.m., north; two ketches at 4.40 p.m., north; a steamer, at 6.10 p.m., north; a steamer at 6.45 p.m., north.

BARRANJOEY.—Arrival: April 25, Narara, s., at 9 a.m.; Vaitele, schooner, at 10 a.m., windbound; Theresa, ketch, at 1 p.m., for shelter.

BELLAMBI.—Arrival: April 25, Werfa at 4.30 a.m. Departure: Werfa at 7.30 a.m., for Wollongong.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrivals: April 25, Illawarra, at 8 a.m.; Werfa, at 8.20 a.m. Departures: April 25, Balmain, s., at 6.30 a.m., for Sydney; Mount Kembla, s., at 7 a.m., for Sydney; Werfa, at 5.30 p.m.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Arrivals: April 25, Coomonderry, s., at 8 a.m., from Sydney; Illawarra, at 4 p.m.

JERVIS BAY.—Arrivals: April 25, H.M.S. Royal Arthur, at 10.10 a.m., and H.M.S. Lizard, at 10.20 a.m., from Sydney. Passed: April 25, a large ship, in light trim, at 8 a.m., north.

BERMAGUI.—Arrival: April 25, Allowrie, s., at 3.10 p.m., from Tathra. Departure: Allowrie, s., at 4.30 p.m., for Sydney.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Arrival: April 25, Peterborough, s., at 3.10 p.m., from Sydney.

EDEN.—Departure: April 25, Allowrie, s., at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: April 25, Victorian, troopship, at 9 a.m., west; Armenian, troopship, at 2.35 p.m., west. Lady Loch at anchor.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed, inwards: April 25, Queenscliff, s., at 11.30 a.m.

HOBART.—Arrivals: April 25, Talune, s., at 10.20 a.m., from New Zealand; Manhattan, transport, at 12.35 p.m., from Sydney; Oonah at 4.40 p.m. Departure: Talune at 4 p.m., for Melbourne.

LOW HEAD (TAS.).—Arrival: April 25, Coogee, s., at 9.50 a.m., from Melbourne.

DEVONPORT (TAS.).—Arrival: April 25, Falcon, ketch, at 7 a.m., from Melbourne; Penguin at 11.35 a.m., from Melbourne.

BURNIE (TAS.).—Arrival: April 25, Penguin, s., at 8.15 a.m., from Melbourne.

STANLEY.—Arrivals: April 25, Lulu, ketch, at 4 p.m., from Melbourne; Easby, s., from Melbourne.

PORT PIRIE (S.A.).—Departure: April 24, Barrier, s., for Sydney.

FREMANTLE (W.A.).—Departure: April 24, Wollowra, s., for east, via Albany.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

Arrival: Craigmair, barque, from New York.

(For Continuation of Shipping Intelligence see Page 8.)

An Australian Bushman at Home—a typical picture in this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Observatory, Wednesday.

Average annual rainfall for 41 years, 49·660.
Average for 42 years, January 1 to March 31, 13·989.
Rainfall from January 1 to April 25, 13·582.
Temperature.—Maximum, 64·7; minimum, 59·7.
Humidity.—9 a.m., 81·0; 3 p.m., 80·0.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 P.M.

Gascoyne, 29·93; Perth, 29·80; Esperance Bay, 29·83; Eucla, 30·11; Streaky Bay, 30·23; Adelaide, 30·30; Robe, 30·42; Portland, 30·41; Melbourne, 30·28; Wilson's Promontory, 30·38; Gabo Island, 30·21; Cape St. George, 30·20; Sydney, 30·20; Newcastle, 30·19; Port Macquarie, 30·17; Clarence Heads, 30·01; Brisbane, 30·09; Rockhampton, 30·08; Mackay, 30·05; Cooktown, 30·06.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Cloudy on the coast and in parts showery, clear inland.
Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy on the coast, fine inland.
Western Australia.—Squally and threatening generally, with showers at places.
South Australia.—Fine throughout, with some clouds in southern districts.
Queensland.—Fine and clear throughout.
North Australia.—Fine and clear throughout.
Tasmania.—Generally fine.
New Zealand.—Fine in the north, showery in centre and south.
New Caledonia.—Generally fine.

RAINFALL IN 24 HOURS PRECEDING 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Albury 7 points, Araluen 8, Bathurst 14, Bega 6, Bendemeer 1, Bodalla 34, Bowral 25, Camden Haven 15, Carcoar 15, Camden 39, Cassilis 1, Cooma 6, Gabo Island 47, Goulburn 7, Jerry's Plains 37, Katoomba 40, Kempsey 12, Jervis Bay 107, Maitland 17, Manning Heads 10, Menindie 1, Morangarell 3, Moruya Heads 28, Moss Vale 28, Mount Victoria 13, Murrumburrah 33, Murrurundi 11, Muswellbrook 4, Newcastle 26, Nimitybelle 3, Orange 4, Penrith 11, Picton 51, Port Macquarie 29, Port Stephens 65, Queanbeyan 25, Singleton 74, Sydney 86, Wagga 2, Wollongong 81, Young 25, Bateman's Bay 25, Bungendore 7, Cootamundra 4, Grenfell 11, Hill End 15, Junee 5, Kiama 18, Kurrajong 15, Nundle 7, Raymond Terrace 23, Seal Rocks 61, Taralga 7, Ulladulla 92, Windsor 14.
Victoria.—Light and scattered in the south, on central ranges, and eastern half of colony.
Tasmania.—Light in the south-east.
Western Australia.—Light to heavy south from Geraldton.

RAINFALL FROM 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M.

Cape St. George 15 points, Moruya Heads 1, Newcastle 1, Port Macquarie 9, Sydney at 9 p.m. 12.

RIVER REPORTS, 9 A.M.

Albury, 3ft. 6in.; Balranald 3ft., rising; Bingara, 1ft.; Boggabilla, low; Booligal, 7ft., falling; Bourke, 13ft. 5½in. above and 9ft. 1½in. below weir; Brewarrina, 7ft. 1in., falling; Deniliquin, 4ft.; Dubbo, 2ft. 10in.; Euabalong, 6ft. 2in., falling; Euston, 8ft. 9in.; Goodooga, 3ft. 10in., falling; Gundagai, 4ft. 8in.; Hay, 5ft. 4in.; Hillston, 5ft. 5in., falling; Louth, 5ft. 3in., rising; Manilla, low; Menindie, 5ft. 1in., falling; Mogil Mogil 2ft., falling; Moulamein, 4ft. 9in.; Mungundi, 6ft. 5in., falling; Pooncarie, 5ft. 8in.; Tilpa, 3ft. 7in.; Tocumwal, 9ft., rising; Wagga Wagga, 5ft. 6in.; Wentworth, 3ft., rising; Wilcannia, 8ft. 10in.; Yetman, low; Barwon River, at Walgett, 10ft., falling; Namoi River, at Walgett, 3ft. 7in., falling; Goondiwindi, low.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Byron Bay, S.E., fresh, dull, sea moderate; Ballina, S., strong, cloudy, sea moderate; Clarence Heads, S.S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea rising; Woolgoolga, S.W., light, showery, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, S.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, S., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Macleay Heads, S.W., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, S., strong gale, heavy rains, moderate; Manning Heads, S., moderate, showery, sea making; Seal Rocks, S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Port Stephens, S., strong, cloudy, sea rough; Newcastle, S., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Lake Macquarie Heads, S.W., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, S.W., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Barranjoey, S.W., strong, thick rain, sea rising; South Head, S., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Wollongong, S., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Kiama, S., light, showery, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, S.W., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, S.E., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Ulladulla, S., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Moruya, S., moderate, showery, sea smooth; Eden, S.S.W., cloudy, sea smooth; Green Cape, S.W., strong, cloudy, misty, sea moderate; Gabo Island, S.W., fresh, cloudy, misty rain, sea rough.

FORECAST 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Continued showery weather on the coast, fine inland; S. to S.E. winds. A new and very energetic disturbance now over Western Australia promises to affect our western districts at the end of this or beginning of next week.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Fine at first in southern parts, but cloudy unsettled weather setting in over night, and gradually coming eastward. Rain and very unsettled weather to follow, with deep storm system now off Cape Leeuwin, which should pass south of us before the close of the week. Vessels bound west will have bad weather with this disturbance.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Fine with light easterly winds gradually veering to northerly, cloudy or misty with fresh S.E. winds on east coast, fine with N. winds on west coast, moderate sea.—P. Baracchi.

Western Australia.—In the absence of reports from south-west it is difficult to say whether the storm is likely to continue or not, but present indication points to an amelioration of existing conditions. As far as can now be seen the weather will moderate in the western districts, but it will still be stormy along the south coast, with rough sea.—W. E. Cooke.

FORECASTS BY MR. ANDERSON, OF BRISBANE.

New South Wales.—Much cloud will prevail over the country generally, and more rain is likely on the coast and highlands. Winds generally between S.W., S., and S.E., blowing strong on the seaboard. Rough seas S. from Port Jackson.

Western Australia.—Mostly cloudy, with rain in parts especially on and near the coast. Strong northerly to N.W., thence S.W. winds in S. half under "Vicus," with rising seas.

Northern Territory.—Fine to cloudy; S.E. winds.

South Australia.—Improved conditions, but still a few showers in S.E.; sea moderate.

Queensland.—Generally fine to cloudy, except for a few scattered showers, chiefly in coast parts. Winds between S.W., S., and S.E. blowing strong in places; sea moderate.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Fine to cloudy, except for scattered coastal showers. Winds strong on coast from S.W., S., and S.E. Sea moderate.

New Zealand.—Very unsettled throughout, with rain and strong winds under "Potosi," especially on E. coast, with rough seas.

New Caledonia.—Cloudy, with S.E. winds.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR APRIL 26.

Sun rises at 6.21, sets at 5.20; Moon, 2.56 a.m., 2.51 p.m.; Mercury, 4.16 a.m., 4.17 p.m.; Venus, 10.15 a.m., 11.46 p.m.; Mars, 4.44 a.m., 4.24 p.m.; Jupiter, 7.7 p.m., 9.18 a.m.; Saturn, 8.52 p.m., 11.10 a.m.
New Moon, April 29; full moon, April 15.
High water at Fort Denison, 5.49 a.m., 6.17 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.30* and 7 p.m.
* Letters for Melbourne only will be accepted without late fee for the Express from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m., if posted in the special box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.
Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.
German New Guinea.—Oldi, at 10 a.m.
Eden.—Allowrie, 10 a.m.
Jaluit (Marshall Islands and Ponape (Caroline Islands).—Sirrah, noon.
Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Waihora, 3 p.m.
Tahiti and Rarotonga, from Auckland.—Ovalau, 3 p.m.
Tonga and Samoa, from Auckland.—Manapouri, 3 p.m.
*Java and Singapore, via Melbourne.—Bucephalus, 5.30 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.
Natal and Capetown, via Adelaide.—Gulf of Siam, 5.30 p.m.
Richmond River.—Electra, 6 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Lyttleton, &c., N.Z., via Newcastle.—Rakanoa, 8 a.m.
Hobart.—Tambo, 10 a.m.
Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Talune, 5.30 p.m.
*Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Coolgardie, 5.30 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Brisbane.—Peregrine, 10 a.m.
Noumea.—Ville de la Ciotat, 11 a.m.
Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Manila, Hongkong, and Japan.—Australian, noon.
Nambucca River.—Nambucca, noon.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 7 p.m.
*Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Nemesis, 9.30 p.m.
Cooktown, Thursday Island, and Normanton, via Brisbane.—Maranoa, 9.30 p.m.
Macleay and Bellinger Rivers.—Burrawong, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 10 a.m.
Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Manila, Hongkong, and Japan.—Changsha, 1 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.
Natal and Capetown, via Adelaide.—Wilcannia, 5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per R.M.S. Cuzco, 4.30 p.m.
R.M.S. Cuzco (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. Cuzco, 5.30 p.m.
Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 7 p.m.
Byron Bay, Coff's Harbour, and Woolgoolga.—Excelsior, 9 p.m.
* Correspondence intended for transmission by this vessel must be specially endorsed with the name of the ship.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 1900.

General French and General Pole-Carew reached Tweed Pink, five miles south of Leeuw Kop, on Monday. Heliographic messages were exchanged with General Rundle. The missing Guards except two have returned to De Wets Dorp.

General Ian Hamilton has occupied the Bloemfontein waterworks. Major-General Smith Dorien and Lieutenant-General M'Donald have been sent to support him, because the enemy is in strength in the neighbouring hills.

General Ian Hamilton sent 140 N.S.W. Lancers to occupy a kop overlooking Waterval Drift. They accomplished the task after having done some sniping.

Major-General Maxwell's brigade moved eastwards from Glen, and seized hills covering Krantz Kraal and the waggon bridge on the Modder, thereby cutting off a northerly retreat of the Boers at that point.

The "Standard" estimates that 3000 Boers were entrenched on the hills to the south-east when it was decided to advance on Sannah-post.

An explosion occurred on the Turkish torpedo boat Scham at Beyrout. The vessel was so much damaged that she sank and 30 of the crew were drowned.

The committee of the United States House of Representatives has adopted a bill providing for the construction of the Pacific cable by private enterprise.

The Premiers' cable with regard to the proposed alterations in the Commonwealth Bill is stated by some of the newspapers of the United Kingdom to amount to an invitation to amend the bill. Mr. Barton writes contending that the interpretation is unjustifiable.

Mr. Barton maintains that the cable really implies the strongest objection to disturb the mandate of the referendum to secure the passing of the bill without alteration.

There is a strong financial interest in the city of London working to prevent the Colonial Office consenting to the restriction of appeals to the Privy Council.

The Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the case of William Creswell is of opinion that he is not the lost Tichborne. The report of the commission is published in another column.

At the monthly meeting of the executive committee of the Queen Victoria Homes for Consumptives Fund, held at the Town Hall yesterday, Dr. Sydney Jones read a report on the open-air treatment of consumption and tuberculosis of the lungs. A summary of the report is given in another column.

The inaugural meeting of the Corporation of Accountants of Australia was held at the Equitable Hall last night. Mr. Wilfred L. Docker presided. Mr. Thomas Davis delivered an address upon the aims and aspirations of the members of the corporation.

The Archbishop of Sydney officially opened the Church Rescue Home under the auspices of the Church of England Temperance Society at Glebe Point yesterday. The ceremony of dedicating a temporary chapel at the home was also performed by the Archbishop.

The annual show of the Bathurst Agricultural Society was opened yesterday. An account of the proceedings by Our Special Reporter is published in another column. All the conditions point to a record exhibition. Mr. John See (Minister for Defence) will officially open the show to-day.

CADBURY'S COCOA. The popular beverage for all seasons.—Advt.

The fortieth annual exhibition of the Hunter River Agricultural Association was opened yesterday at West Maitland. About 1500 people attended. The entries numbered 3800.

His Excellency Lord Lamington, Governor of Queensland, and Lady Lamington, arrived in Sydney yesterday and left by the northern mail train last night for Brisbane. In an interview, published in another column, Lord Lamington expresses his views upon military organisation.

The Rev. P. J. Simpson, precentor of St. Andrew's Cathedral, returned to Sydney yesterday after six months' absence, spent principally in England. Mr. Simpson, when in England, studied the musical arrangements in many of the leading cathedrals and churches.

The Philharmonic Society, under the conductorship of Signor Hazon, performed Spohr's "Last Judgment" last night at the Town Hall with success.

The Intercolonial Protectionist Conference continued its sittings last night. The question of coloured labour in Queensland was further discussed.

A resolution was carried favouring the imposition of such a duty on sugar as would enable the Federal Government to take steps to bring about within a given period the entire abolition of coloured labour in Queensland.

Five cases of bubonic plague were reported to the Board of Health yesterday, namely, Timothy Maher, aged 43 years, of the city; Henry Branch, 5, of Paddington; Fred. Basman, of Waverley; Ellie George, 17, of Guildford; and F. Morris, 18, of the city.

In the cases of Henry Branch and Timothy Maher the attacks proved fatal. Sixteen patients were yesterday removed from the quarantine hospital to the convalescent home.

The Imperial Bushmen's Contingent of Tasmania will embark for South Africa on board the transport Manhattan at 9 a.m. to-day.

The Consul-General for France (M. Biard d'Aunet) has received an official communication from the Governor of New Caledonia showing that no fresh case of bubonic plague has occurred in that colony since March 23.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Illawarra Steamship Company yesterday the report showed a profit balance of £2996, including £194 brought forward from the previous year. A dividend of 3s per share for the half-year was announced.

The first shipment of German beet sugar for the present year is expected to arrive on Friday next in the steamer Bielefeld. This shipment has already been placed, as well as further parcels to arrive.

The official f.a.q. standard sample of the Western Australian wheat crop was received yesterday. It is plump in the grain, and weighs 63lb. per imperial bushel.

Moderate activity prevailed in the Import market yesterday, the weather having a somewhat adverse effect upon trade. Prices in most instances were without quotable change.

Business in the Mining market yesterday was quiet. Local gold dredging ventures were in favour, and Western Australian gold stocks generally continued to improve. Broken Hill silver companies were less buoyant.

The gold yield for the past month from the Great Boulder Proprietary, Kalgoorlie, was 7435oz.

Fairly good business was transacted in investment stocks on the Stock and Share market yesterday, and prices were firm.

The strain of suspense increases as we await from day to day news of the anxiously-expected advance of Lord Roberts northwards from Bloemfontein. The Commander-in-Chief is too skilful a leader to begin his march before he is ready. Although he is in possession of the capital of the Orange Free State his army is none the less in an enemy's country. Armed men have sprung up in thousands behind his advance, and it is daily becoming apparent that the submission of the burghers and the surrender of their arms are not sufficient guarantees in themselves of the safety of the British rear and of its communications. At Wepener, Reddersburg, and other places, and now at Karriefontein sharp hostilities have shown that the enemy is still active and dangerous even in what we have a right to regard as the conquered territory. The siege of Wepener is repeating on a smaller scale the experience of Ladysmith and Kimberley, and once more the Boers are displaying their useful tactics of mobility and carefulness to keep a means of retreat open. The fate of Cronje will doubtless warn them against delaying this movement in future, and it is sufficiently shown by what we have heard of their movements during the past few days that they are proceeding with much of that caution which distinguished them in the earlier stages of the war. It helps to make the apparent inactivity of the Commander-in-Chief more noticeable to remember that fighting is going on within a few miles of Bloemfontein. Leeuw Kop, where General Pole-Carew cleverly outflanked the enemy the other day, is only 15 miles from the capital, and the beleaguered Wepener, where Dalgetty is surrounded, is about 65 miles. Rundle is entrenched at De Wets Dorp, 25 miles away, and the strong position held by the Boers at Thaba'nchu is expected to give General French some trouble in his advance to Rundle's relief. The semi-circular movement which brought Lord Roberts into the heart of the Free State by way of Kimberley has left a good deal of work yet to be done before his present base secures safe communication southward.

There are, however, several indications that the important developments expected are at least in active preparation. We learnt by cable the other day that the severity of the censorship over news from the front was held as an indication that the forward movement had actually begun, though it was also reported that the necessity of clearing the army's flanks and rear of forces of the enemy like that now harassing Wepener had delayed the advance. Whatever the reason may be it is clear that there has been delay, that it is encouraging the Boers, and that the Commander-in-Chief has been utilising it to secure his position at Bloemfontein by fortifications and entrenchments, as well as by storing supplies in quantity sufficient to render him independent of his communications, if that should become necessary. The 70,000 perfectly equipped men with whom it was intended to begin the advance will no doubt have been lessened in number on account of the necessity of meeting the attacks of the Boers at Wepener and elsewhere. It is computed that something under 30,000 men are so engaged. On the other hand, it is not altogether certain that Lord Roberts, when he moves, will follow the direct route to the northward. His attack on Bloemfontein, as we have seen, was delivered by a circuitous route, which took the relief of Kimberley as an incident in its way. The Commander-in-Chief had the lesson of Methuen's frontal attack at Magersfontein and Buller's at the Tugela River before him as a guide, and he profited shrewdly by it. Just now he finds his forward advance by the nearest route to Pretoria obstructed by the same kind of obstacle, constituting an almost exactly similar position. The Boers are in great force at Kroonstad, we are told. They have 69 guns mounted there, and doubtless by this time the position has been rendered as impregnable to a frontal attack as was that of Cronje at Magersfontein. The country is not as difficult as that in the north of Cape Colony, where our troops experienced such troubles, or on the road to Ladysmith, where we left so many brave men. It is true that the Boer forces have been seriously reduced by the losses incidental to the campaign, but we are able to judge that they are still sufficiently numerous to make Lord Roberts's advance by the direct route northward an enterprise of considerable difficulty.

The Commander-in-Chief has so often inculcated prudence in the course of this campaign, and his enforced censures on the mistakes of his subordinates have been so severe, that he will hardly hazard a repetition of their mistakes. The secrecy with which his rigid censorship has surrounded his intentions seems to suggest that it is the unexpected which is about to happen when his arrangements for the advance are completed. If Lord Roberts can secure his end by a turning movement on a large scale, such as an advance on the Transvaal from the westward would imply, and resembling his master move on Cronje and Bloemfontein, that or something like it is the line of advance he would probably choose to adopt. The use to which we have been putting the port of Beira lately helps to bear this out, and it may also help to account for the delay. It has already been announced on authority that Mafeking will have to hold out until somewhere about the middle of May, and it is now added that the Australian Bushmen under Carrington will in all probability be the force to relieve that gallant little garrison. It will be in the memory of everyone that Ladysmith owed its timely relief to an indirect movement after the failure of General Buller's repeated frontal attacks, and it is not impossible that that experience may be repeated. Whatever the outcome may be it is at least certain that we are on the eve of important developments, and that we have arrived at the opening of the second important stage of the South African campaign. The Empire awaits the next move of its trusted Field-Marshal with absorbing interest, and with a good deal of well-founded confidence in the result.

Mr. O'Sullivan has advanced more definite ideas about the Western land question than either his chief, the Premier, or his colleague, the Minister for Lands. The Minister for Works accompanied Mr. Lyne to Bourke a few weeks ago, and more lately still he made a visit to Cobar, and as is now inevitable when a Minister goes out back he had to hear a deal of complaint about the condition of the Crown lessees of all grades. He put his views into clear shape in an interview with our representative on Tuesday. He hesitates about the appointment of a Royal Commission. He suggests a Parliamentary visit to the Far West, so that legislators might see for themselves the state of the country. If a Royal Commission is to be appointed he is prepared to concur, but he prefers to trust the Government for a policy. Personally he seems to favour (1) rent to be payable not as at present at per acre or per section, but per sheep carried for the preceding year; (2) consolidation of resumed and leasehold areas, which is the practical abolition of the famous principle of division of runs as first adopted in the Land Act of 1884; and (3) extension of lease by seven years on condition of further improvement.

Before considering the Minister's suggestions, which deserve attention as the views of an unprejudiced though also an inexperienced man in Western affairs, we may commend his proposal of a Parliamentary visit. Those who for some months past have been endeavouring to bring Ministers and Parliament men to see that distress hangs over a large portion of our territory—a territory remote and sparsely peopled, so that its state does not readily appeal to the metropolis—those advocates of reform in the Western pastoral contract would welcome any such investigation. Undoubtedly change is rapid in the pastoral districts; ordinarily a good season will so transform the country that what a few months earlier was desert may have become splendidly grassed and watered. But we are now face to face with a state of things far less hopeful, and there does not appear to be a strong probability that within some years yet to come the West will be what it was. Bourke, Hay, or Cobar will do as a starting point for the visitors, and what they shall see within a short or long radius of each railway terminus will convince them that the task of earning wages, rent, and interest out of sheep on Crown leaseholds is worthy of sympathy and assistance.

Next, as to the commission. As a general rule these commissions are to be deprecated, but the present is a case where prompt inquiry by reliable men into matters of fact would help to do justice. We are not indifferent to the arguments against ordinary Royal Commissions. What we contend is that the right commission in this instance would not be dilatory, costly, or futile. The reason why, ever since Mr. Millen's articles appeared in our columns, we have pressed for the appointment of a small commission of a representative character to make report as to the state and prospects of our Western leases, is that such a report would possess an authority which no ex parte statements could enjoy. Our suggestion has been approved from one end of the Division to the other; and the Minister for Lands must have before him an appeal from nearly every pastoral centre of the West. Yet nothing is done to revive confidence, or allay the anxieties of all classes inhabiting those districts. It is six months since we broached the subject. If at that time steps such as we advocated, and such as are now being urged on all sides, had been adopted, the Government would have been placed in an absolutely safe position to meet Parliament with a remedy. Nothing has been done. The whole business drifts without direction. The appeal of all classes of settlers from Menindie to Walgett, and from Broken Hill to Cobar; the resolutions of many large public meetings, and the letters of a number of the principal residents of the West published in our columns during some months past, seem all to have gone for nought. If the Ministry has in its own way made itself seized of the question, has decided upon a policy and is ready to meet Parliament with remedial measures, it would be an act of grace and of public policy to let it be understood that a scheme of relief will be unfolded when the Legislature assembles. But the community, and especially the Western community, is quite in the dark as to what relief, or whether any relief at all, is contemplated. The consequences of this uncertainty are plain in the commerce and industry of that part of the colony.

Mr. David Brown, formerly of Kallara, in a letter to us, published some months ago, advocated the idea which Mr. O'Sullivan now propounds of calculating rent on the average of stock carried. Just as the income-tax payer contributes on what he actually received, not upon an imaginary return, so it is contended the State lessees should be assessed not upon area leased, but sheep depastured. One objection to this principle is that it deprives the industry of the spur of necessity. It would lessen the inducement of the land-holder to make his country to the full as productive as it could be made. Then it might open the way to mere "shepherding" of large tracts of land, and perhaps to fraud as to numbers of sheep carried, while the annual rent of the whole area would fluctuate from year to year. These are the disadvantages, real or possible. The advantages are that it would remove the millstone of a fixed and heavy rent which now hangs around the neck of every man who holds a Crown lease in the Western Division; that it would spare the country the ever-increasing pressure of overstocking under which it is deteriorating, and that if the State revenue grew less that revenue would at least be sure and would not be wrung out of the lessees to the injury of themselves, their employees, improvements, land, and stock. A moderate rent appraised every four or five years by the local land boards, with attachment of areas except where land may be wanted, and with extension of leases to, say, 40 years if necessary, on condition of improvement by the lessee,—these are the terms on which the Western pastoral industry may revive. They have succeeded in South Australia. We differ from the Minister on (1) the mode of fixing rent, and (2) the term of the new lease, but in other respects we agree with him. But again we must express the hope that relief may not be delayed too long for the resources of present lessees or for the revival of the Western pastoral industry.

Complaints about the telephone service have been so persistent and frequent that the Postmaster-General has found it necessary to call in experts to inquire into the matter. It was at first supposed that the trouble arose through the inadequacy of the mechanical arrangements at the Central Exchange. These were altered, and the mistakes and delays which subsequently occurred were fairly enough put down to the newness of the telephone board and the operators' want of familiarity with its working. Sufficiently long time has now been given to afford ground for the belief that all has not yet been done that can be done for the prompt service of subscribers to the Exchange. It is, of course, of the essence of a good telephone service that a subscriber shall be connected without unnecessary delay with the address which he demands. In ordinary circumstances business men use their telephones in order to save time; but if annoying delays occur they would be much better off if they had no telephone, and if they simply walked round to the office of the person whom they desired to address. It is unfortunately too true that of late the telephone has in many cases been rather a hindrance than an assistance to business. Extraordinary mistakes have been made, such mistakes as might be excused, or at least expected, in a system newly inaugurated and administered by persons entirely new to the business. The fault may lie with the officers or with the persons who send the messages or with the instrument used, but it certainly exists, and the sooner it is ascertained and removed the better for all parties concerned. The board appointed by the Postmaster-General consists of three gentlemen who should be able to give not only an explanation of the existing difficulties, but also practical suggestions for their removal. They have full powers to make a searching investigation, and doubtless they will appreciate the necessity for the speedy fulfilment of their commission.

The letters of our correspondent, Mr. Donald Macdonald, telling in detail the sad story of the sufferings endured in Ladysmith while the siege lasted, must wring all hearts with pity. The cheerful way in which hardships were borne does not blind us to their real terror, and we are filled with admiration for the gallant men who so bravely held their own against the foe. The chronicle so far brings us to New Year's Day, and at that date hopes of succour had so often been dashed to the ground that the outlook was gloomy in the extreme. Death, sickness, and pestilence were wreaking havoc on all sides, and food was beginning to get terribly scarce. If such was the state of things on January 1, we can imagine the condition of the beleaguered ones in the ensuing weeks which elapsed before the relief of Ladysmith on February 28. The full tragedy of this time it is impossible for us to grasp, but such straits we know that the heroes at Mafeking under Baden Powell are suffering to-day. Perhaps even more dire is their peril, for they have had to face a longer siege and have been less well equipped than the forces under Sir George White. Many times during the past two months we have been led to believe that the relief of Mafeking was on the point of accomplishment, but on each occasion obstacles have intervened and the garrison has been left to fight on alone. These failures are all the more surprising when we remember that Kimberley was relieved on February 15 by the advance division of a force of, at the most modest computation, 30,000 men, and that the distance from this city to Mafeking is only 223 miles. As a matter of fact we know that the troops under Lord Roberts were far in excess of that number, and had, say, five or ten thousand of them been able to set off immediately for Mafeking fully equipped, we should have long ere this heard of the relief of Baden Powell and his men. Inefficiency of transport, however, that terrible fetter to our armies in South Africa, prevented such a course, and now, after an interval of over two months, the garrison is still unrelieved. Help, we continue to hope, cannot long be delayed, and in the deep rejoicings which will follow throughout the Empire the news of the raising of the siege Australia will enthusiastically share. If, as the latest news seems to indicate, it falls to the lot of the Australian Bushmen under Sir Frederick Carrington to accomplish this good work, our feelings of pride and satisfaction will be intensified.

THE SIEGE OF LADYSMITH.—The description of the historical siege of Ladysmith is continued in our columns to-day by D. A. Macdonald, our special war correspondent, who deals especially with the condition of affairs as they existed at the beginning of January. The letter shows that sometimes the Boers were in a facetious as well as tantalising mood. A plum pudding within a shell as a present for the British was an evidence of grim humour on the part of the enemy which occasioned them much merriment. The reciprocal compliment on the part of the British consisted of four shells within 20 minutes, directed at a spot which the enemy had chosen as a camping ground, and which they consequently left in a hurry.

THE COMMONWEALTH BILL IN ENGLAND.—From our special correspondent in London we have received an article dealing with the reception of the colonial delegates who went home for the purpose of advising the Imperial Government in regard to matters of detail connected with the Commonwealth Bill. The communication, which will be found in another column, describes the reception accorded to the delegates, and indicates the attitude to the measure taken up by leaders of official and Parliamentary circles in England, so far as it was known at the time the letter was posted.

VICE-REGAL NEWS.—His Excellency the Governor went on Tuesday morning on board the steamer Armenian and said "Good-bye" to Colonel Mackay and the officers of the Imperial Bushmen's Contingent. His Excellency Lord Lamington and Lady Lamington, accompanied by Miss Briscoe, and attended by Captain Farquhar, A.D.C., arrived at Government House from Melbourne at midday yesterday, and proceeded by the evening mail to Brisbane.

THE INQUIRY INTO THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—The Commission which has been appointed to inquire into the public accounts sat yesterday, when the Auditor-General was examined. To-day Mr. G. H. Pitt, chief commissioner in the Audit Office, will be called as a witness.

MINISTERIAL MOVEMENTS.—It had been the intention of the Premier to leave for Bathurst last night, in order to be present at the opening of the Agricultural Show, but owing to slight indisposition Mr. Lyne was unable to leave. Mr. See, however, proceeded to Bathurst, and will represent the Government on the occasion. To-day the Minister for Lands, accompanied by Mr. R. A. Price, will leave Sydney for a tour of the Gloucester district. Mr. Hassall will inquire into forest and road and bridge matters generally.

PROPOSED CABLE CONFERENCE.—The Postmaster-General recently received a letter from Mr. Watt, of Victoria, asking him to meet him in conference, either in Melbourne or Sydney, to discuss matters relating to the proposed Cape cable. It is understood that Mr. Crick is agreeable to meet Mr. Watt on the subject, but the place and time of the proposed conference have not yet been arranged.

THE TELEPHONE SERVICE.—The Postmaster-General yesterday appointed a board, consisting of Mr. Lee Murray, civil and electrical engineer, of O'Connell-street, Mr. J. R. Bainton (of Messrs. Edge and Edge), and Mr. T. Howard, electrical engineer in the Government service of Victoria, to report upon the present troubles in connection with the New South Wales telephone system, to ascertain the cause of the same, and whether the delays complained of, and other irregularities, are avoidable. The various written complaints received by the department from time to time will be referred to the board, which has been asked to report to Mr. Crick as speedily as possible.

A JAPANESE TRAINING SHIP.—There anchored in the harbour yesterday a Japanese training ship, the Hi Yei, and as she came up salutes were fired and responded to. The purpose of her visit is of an educational character. The officers are gentlemen who have had experience of actual fighting, and speak freely and in good English of the late war with China. With a sail-rigged vessel the cadets have the right kind of opportunity to practise seamanship, and under their commander, one of the senior captains in the Japanese navy, the present cruise should be of exceptional value. There are nearly 350 persons on board, and it was hoped that they would be able to see Sydney, but owing to the plague scare it is likely that the vessel will remain any length of time here.

PROPOSED BUILDING ACT.—At Tuesday night's meeting of the Drummoyne Council the Mayor (Alderman Thomas Henley), as one of the council's delegates to the recent conference, convened to consider the draft bill of the proposed Suburban Building Act, reported that the conference had been well attended, and that a lively interest was being taken in the matter. High tributes to the work done by the committee had been received from such authorities as Messrs. H. C. Kent and H. Thompson, architects. He further reported that the proposed bill had been debated clause by clause. He trusted the work would be adopted at the adjourned meeting to be held on Friday night, and forwarded to the Premier as the groundwork for a Government measure. As the Drummoyne Council originated the movement, he considered the progress made in the matter was most gratifying to them.

PROPOSED GARBAGE DESTRUCTORS.—At a meeting of the Mosman Council on Tuesday evening, a letter was read from the Borough Council of Annandale on the subject of the construction of garbage destructors. In the communication it was suggested that the various municipal councils around Sydney should send delegates to a deputation to wait upon the Premier, urging upon him the necessity of erecting garbage destructors in central positions to suit the requirements of the various districts, and that the Government be requested to bear the cost of such destructors, and charge the various councils interest thereon. The members of the city and suburban councils were asked to attend the deputation. There was a general expression of opinion that the co-operation of the council should be granted, and the Mayor (Alderman Hampshire) and Aldermen Smith and Horning were appointed to represent the council at the proposed deputation.

ALTERATIONS OF TRAMWAY SECTIONS.—Mr. W. H. Wilks, M.L.A., has received a communication from the Railway Commissioners in answer to his request for the alteration of the tramway section terminating at the railway, which he urged in the interest of public safety. The Commissioners have approved of the corner of Regent and Harris streets with George-street West, being recognised as the end of the section, and arrangements are to be made accordingly.

PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF LAND AT CREMORNE.—For some time past the borough councils of North Sydney and Mosman have had before them a proposal in regard to an exchange of land at Cremorne, a certain area on the extreme point having been offered to the North Sydney Council as a public reserve in exchange for certain foreshore reservations. A large amount of opposition was raised from time to time, but of late little has been heard of the matter. At Tuesday's meeting of the Mosman Council the question was again referred to by Alderman Horning, who drew the Mayor's attention to the fact that the exchange was likely to be effected. He considered the question was one demanding immediate attention with the view to taking action to prevent the proposed exchange being sanctioned. With the permission of the council he moved,—"That a letter be written to the Minister for Lands and the member for the district, again strongly protesting against the proposed alienation of water frontages at Cremorne." The matter, he contended, was of vital importance to the district, and he would like to see a deputation to the Minister arranged. Alderman Alderson seconded the motion, and thought that in addition to a protest a public meeting of residents should be called with a view to securing expressions of opinion on the subject. In losing the foreshores they were losing their birthrights. Alderman Rose also entered a strong protest against the contemplated exchange. He understood the matter was almost settled, and, therefore, immediate action was necessary. The motion, which was supported by the Mayor (Alderman G. W. Hampshire) and Aldermen Smith and Dwyer was, upon being put, carried unanimously.

MOUNTED RIFLES AT NEWCASTLE.—The Colonial Secretary recently received an application from Newcastle asking for leave to establish half a squadron of Mounted Rifles there. Yesterday Mr. See granted leave for the enrolment of the necessary 60 men. It may be stated that this leave is granted upon the same terms which applied to the recently formed half-squadron of Lancers, that is that, pending the passing of the necessary vote by Parliament, the men shall provide horses, saddlery, and equipment at their own expense.

NEW SUBURBAN FIRE STATIONS.—The activity displayed last year by the Metropolitan Fire Brigades' Board in meeting the requirements of suburban residents by the erection of new stations, is still being maintained. At the last meeting of the board it was decided to construct a station at Ashfield, upon ground 50ft. by 150ft., purchased some two years ago, at the corner of Victoria and Norton streets. Messrs. Rowe and Spain have been appointed the architects, and plans are in course of preparation. It was also decided to erect a station at Mosman upon a plot of ground situate in Myagah-road, and purchased by the board last year. The estimated cost is £750, towards which, through the exertions of Mr. Dugald Thomson, the Government has promised to contribute a sum of money, the balance being provided by the board. An architect has not yet been appointed, but as soon as that is done, plans will be proceeded with at once.

PATRIOTIC FUND.—We have received towards the New South Wales Patriotic Fund 10s from "T.W.—One-leg."

THE SYDNEY HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN.—As the result of a special appeal in aid of the funds of the Sydney Hospital for Sick Children, Glebe Point, a first instalment of £73 4s 6d has been received by the honorary treasurer. The detailed amounts will be found in our advertising columns.

THE PRECENTOR OF ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL.—The Rev. P. J. Simpson, precentor of St. Andrew's Cathedral, returned to Sydney yesterday, after a six months' holiday, spent for the most part in England. Mr. Simpson travelled back as far as Adelaide in the R.M.S. Ortona, and finished his journey by train. He was met at Redfern railway station by the Archbishop of Sydney, the Rev. Canon Sharp, the Cathedral clergy, and the choristers, all of whom tendered him a hearty welcome.

DROWNING FATALITY.—The body of the youth William Creber, 17 years of age, who was drowned at Farmer's Baths, Woolloomooloo Bay, on Sunday last, was found floating in the baths yesterday morning and recovered. The corpse was subsequently removed to the South Sydney Morgue. An inquiry will be held at the Coroner's Court this morning at 10 o'clock.

FOUND DEAD.—At the South Sydney Morgue yesterday the Deputy City Coroner (Dr. R. H. Todd) held an inquiry in regard to the death of Benjamin Kershaw, who was found on the previous day lying at the foot of some steps in a passage off Kent-street. Dr. Sidney Jamieson, who made a post-mortem examination, stated that in his opinion death was due to syncope, owing to heart disease. A finding in accordance with the medical testimony was recorded.

TRAM FATALITY.—The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore, J.P.) concluded an inquiry yesterday at the Coroner's Court, Chancery-square, touching the death of a newsboy named Leslie Watts, 10 years of age, which occurred at the Sydney Hospital from injuries received owing to his being run over by a tram on the 18th instant. Mr. W. C. Shipway appeared for the relatives of the deceased, and Mr. W. S. Wing watched the proceedings on behalf of the Railway Commissioners. The evidence was to the effect that deceased jumped upon a travelling tram in Elizabeth-street, near Liverpool-street, for the purpose of selling newspapers. He got on safely, but in passing along the footboard fell between the two cars, and was run over. Herbert O'Leary (pointsman at Elizabeth and Liverpool streets) stated that he had repeatedly cautioned deceased and other lads against entering trams whilst they were in motion. Other evidence having been given, a finding of accidental death was recorded.

BURNING FATALITY.—The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore) concluded an inquiry yesterday morning at the Coroner's Court, Chancery-square, touching the death of Florence Margaret Thompson, 3 years of age, which took place at the Sydney Hospital on Monday night last, from burns received on the 19th instant. Richard Thompson stated that on the 19th instant he was playing with his sister at the rear of his parents' residence. Deceased was playing with matches and lighted some paper. Her clothes suddenly became ignited. Other evidence having been given, a finding of accidental death was recorded.

DESTRUCTION OF THE COMEDIE FRANCAISE.—We published on March 9 a cablegram reporting the destruction by fire of the Comedie Francaise. From the "Daily Graphic" we now take the subjoined account of the calamity telegraphed to that journal by Reuter's agency:—"A fire broke out at the Comedie Francaise at noon on March 8, and by half-past 1 the theatre was a huge brazier. Smoke was first seen to issue from one of the top windows. Virtually the fire was only seriously attacked about 40 minutes after the first alarm. The excitement of the public became intense when, a few minutes later, huge columns of smoke were seen to issue and cover Paris. Two actresses were rescued by means of ropes. The salvage of the art treasures and books was very rudimentary; there was actually no organisation. Crowds rushed into the foyer and threw out pictures, books, carpets, flowers, cushions, and other valueless articles pell mell. One man even stuck his head through a life-size picture. M. Crozier, chief of the Protocol, and M. Beau, M. Delcasse's Chief of Cabinet, however, rushed into the building and organised a salvage of valuables. About 2 o'clock the roof over the stage and foyer fell in. It appears that the fire broke out in the ceiling behind the stages, and was preceded by a big explosion, after which the flames burst out with lightning rapidity. Mademoiselle Henriot was found burnt to death. Mademoiselle Dudlay, who was rehearsing on the stage, was removed from the theatre in a semi-conscious condition, having been overcome by the smoke."

We have been requested by the Registrar of the Sydney University to state that the meeting for which the Undergraduates' Association has issued cards of invitation, to be held on the Town Hall on Saturday next, and styled the "Annual Commemoration of Benefactors," is not the annual commemoration, and is being held without the consent or authority of the Senate. It has been thought right to make this announcement, as the cards of invitation are calculated to mislead persons who have received them and who are not aware of the circumstances.

A patriotic fair will be opened by Lady Darley in the North Sydney School of Arts this afternoon.

Mr. S. E. Lees, M.L.A., has received a letter from the Railway Commissioners wherein they state that a bylaw is being prepared to allow of the extension of workmen's tickets to Penrith, and that it is expected these tickets will be available for issue in about a week's time.

In the jumping contests for ponies not exceeding 12 hands at the Royal Agricultural Society's show the winner was Mr. F. E. Thew's Stella II. The rider, Reginald Thew, aged 12 years, was recommended for a special award in recognition of his horsemanship.

A meeting of the International Brotherhood League was held last evening in the rooms of the league, Pitt-street. The following subjects were discussed:—"The Present Hour" (T. W. Willans), "The Search for Truth" (E. J. Willans), "The Purpose of Life" (Mrs. E. J. Willans), "A Straight Line" (A. A. Smith). The first-named speaker said that the present unrest in the world was caused by the passing away of the old order, and that a newer and brighter day was dawning for the human race.

John M'Gowen, 28, a labourer, residing at 52 Princes-street, was yesterday admitted to the Sydney Hospital, suffering from concussion of the brain. M'Gowen, it is stated, was working upon a crane erected in a punt off the Pyrmont Wharf when he fell a distance of about 20ft., striking his head against the end of the punt.

A young man named Herbert Cowan, aged 19, residing in College-street, Drummoyne, while working some machinery yesterday evening, had one of his hands caught in a cogwheel, and received such injury that three fingers were subsequently amputated by Dr. Davidson at the Balmain Cottage Hospital.

TO-DAY.

North Sydney School of Arts: Patriotic Fair, 3 p.m.
Neutral Bay: Presbyterian Church Exhibition, 7.30.
Fete and Military Encampment: Wentworth-road, Burwood, 3 p.m.
Citizens' Vigilance Committee: Meeting of General Committee, Town Hall, 8 p.m.
Institute of Bankers of New South Wales: Address by Mr. W. M'Millan, Equitable Hall, 8 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Hall: Debut of Miss Alice Hollander, 8 p.m.
Sydney University Christian Union: Lecture by Dr. R. N. Morris, 8 p.m.
Pitt-street Congregational Literary and Social Union: Lecture by Rev. T. W. Dunn, 8 p.m.
Boer War Biograph: 478 George-street, from 11 a.m. and every hour during the day.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Camille," 8 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "The Manoeuvres of Jane," 2 and 8 p.m.
Lyceum: "The Irishman," 8 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "Robbery Under Arms," 8 p.m.
Palace Theatre: M'Adoo's Minstrels, 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Mr. Rickards's Company, 2.30 and 7.50 p.m.
Cycloramas and Hall of Illusions: 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.

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ATTITUDE OF THE AFRIKANDER BOND.

LONDON, April 25.

The Afrikander Bond is very angry at the result of the trial of the rebels captured by the Queensland Mounted Infantry at Sunnyside on January 1, which has just concluded at Capetown.

Mr. J. F. Hofmeyer, President of the Afrikander Bond, declared that Mr. R. Solomon (Attorney-General of Cape Colony) was a traitor for prosecuting the accused.

THE POSITION AT MAFEKING.

LONDON, April 25.

The garrison at Mafeking is reported to be despondent and the besieged are depending for subsistence on oaten bread and husks.

The total number of casualties up to the end of March was 368.

A BOER PLOT.

LONDON, April 25.

The "Natal Times" states that at the beginning of the war there was a Boer plot to cause an explosion on a transport conveying 2000 British troops. Fortunately the plot was frustrated.

MR. EDGAR'S MURDERER KILLED.

LONDON, April 25.

The Transvaal policeman, Jones, whose trial at Johannesburg for the murder of Mr. Edgar, a British subject, ended so unsatisfactorily in the Transvaal Courts, was killed at the battle of Modders Spruit.

AN ENVELOPING MOVEMENT IN PROGRESS.

LONDON, April 25.

Forty thousand British troops are enveloping Commandants De Wet and Olivier, who were recently reported to be threatening the border of Cape Colony.

THE ENEMY NEAR THE CALEDON RIVER.

LONDON, April 25.

The Boers were so numerous in the neighbourhood of the Caledon River (a tributary of the Orange River) that it took them two days to cross.

4 a.m.

SIEGE OF WEPENER.

DETERMINED ATTACK BY THE BOERS.

LONDON, April 25.

The Boers besieging Wepener, under cover of the fire of four guns, made a determined attempt yesterday to storm Lieutenant-Colonel Dalgetty's northern position.

The accurate fire of the garrison repelled the enemy, who then recoiled, and, extending across the flats, opened a heavy fire at long range.

The fusilade lasted for hours.

GENERAL BRABANT'S CASUALTIES.

LONDON, April 25.

The casualties of Major-General Brabant's Division in its fighting on Sunday numbered 25 wounded.

NEW ZEALAND ROUGHRIDERS.

BAPTISM OF FIRE.

LONDON, April 25.

The New Zealand Roughriders have received their baptism of fire.

They took part in the attack made by Major-General Brabant on Boesman's Kop on Sunday, and were in a clever flanking movement.

The Roughriders express delight at participating in the action.

BOERS IN FORCE IN THE EASTERN FREE STATE.

LONDON, April 25.

The brigade commanded by Major-General Hart forms the advanced portion of Major-General Brabant's division advancing to the relief of Wepener.

Eight thousand Boers are in the immediate front of the division, while there are 13,000 Boers elsewhere in the Wepener district.

THE ADVANCE ON LEEUW KOP.

NEW SOUTH WALES AMBULANCE PARTICIPATE.

LONDON, April 25.

In connection with the advance of Colonel E. A. H. Alderson, commanding Strathcona's Horse on Leeuw Kop, Colonel J. B. B. Dickson, with the 4th Cavalry Brigade, a battery of Horse Artillery, and the New South Wales Ambulance, moved from Springfield, eight miles east-south-east of Bloemfontein.

The Artillery shelled the enemy and dislodged them from a kopje south-west of the Bloemfontein waterworks.

Afterwards the force participated in the operations to the south of the waterworks.

The enemy retreated to the eastward.

A WARNING TO DISLOYALISTS.

LONDON, April 25.

Major-General Hart has issued a strenuous proclamation at Rouxville, warning people of the penalties that will be incurred if any of the inhabitants commit hostile acts, or if any abet or screen the commission of hostile acts.

BOERS AT MAFEKING REINFORCED.

LONDON, April 25.

Boers from Natal and others from the south of the Transvaal have reinforced Commandant Snyman, who is besieging Mafeking.

Three hundred native women at Mafeking have escaped through the Boer lines.

The Boers treacherously lured some Fingo cattle raiders out of the town and killed 26 of them.

LIST OF 12,000 REBELS.

LONDON, April 25.

The British authorities hold lists containing the names of 12,000 rebels in Cape Colony and Natal.

CIRCULATION OF A NEWSPAPER PROHIBITED.

LONDON, April 25.

Lord Roberts has prohibited the circulation of "Onsland," the Afrikander Bond organ in Cape Colony, in those districts in which martial law has been proclaimed.

DEATHS OF AUSTRALIANS.

LONDON, April 25.

Private Cronan, of the Queensland Mounted Infantry, has died at Bloemfontein of enteric fever.

Private Tarrant, of the New Zealand Mounted Infantry, who was captured at Koorn Spruit, has died of typhoid fever at Pretoria.

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION.

A CARTOON IN "PUNCH."

LONDON, April 25.

"Punch" to-day publishes a cartoon referring to Clause 74 in the Australian Commonwealth Bill.

The cartoon depicts an Australian girl asking Britannia for a latch-key labelled "More freedom," and shows Britannia gracefully yielding to the request, saying "If anyone is to be trusted it is you."

FAMINE IN INDIA.

RELIEF FUND AT BERLIN.

LONDON, April 25.

The Emperor of Germany has initiated an Indian Famine Relief Fund at Berlin.

LAKES ONTARIO AND ERIE.

THE ATTEMPTED DESTRUCTION OF THOROLD LOCK.

LONDON, April 25.

Reuter's correspondent states that the three men, Walsh, Nolin, and Dultman, who were arrested at Niagara Falls on a charge of having attempted to destroy the Thorold Lock of the Welland Canal, are Irishmen.

The American Consul at Niagara reports that the Buffalo grain-handlers are exonerated from having any connection with the outrage. He states that the evidence incriminates the Fenians.

SILVER.

LONDON, April 25.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 3 7-16d per ounce standard.

THE TALLOW MARKET.

LONDON, April 25.

At the sales of Australasian tallow 2000 casks were offered and 1575 were sold. Mutton, fine, realised 30s; mutton, medium, realised 28s; beef, fine, realised 28s 6d; beef, medium, realised 27s 6d.

FEDERATION.

INTERPRETATION OF THE PREMIERS' CABLE.

LETTERS FROM MR. BARTON.

LONDON, April 24.

The Premiers' cable with regard to the proposed alterations in the Commonwealth Bill is stated in some newspapers to amount to an invitation to amend the Bill.

Mr. E. Barton writes contending that this interpretation is unjustifiable.

Mr. Barton declares that the cable really implies the strongest objection to disturb the referendum's mandate to secure the passage of the bill unaltered.

There is a strong financial interest in the city working to prevent the Colonial Office consenting to the restriction of appeals to the Privy Council.

INTERVIEW WITH THE VICTORIAN PREMIER.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Premier, on being interviewed to-day, said he concurred in the view expressed by Mr. Barton that the Premiers had not, by their decision at the conference held last week, invited the Imperial Government to amend the Commonwealth Constitution Bill. It was clearly intimated, he said, in their despatch to Mr. Chamberlain that they could not consent to any amendment of the measure, and that they desired to see the bill passed in the form in which it was accepted by the people of Australia. When, however, the Secretary of State for the Colonies pointed out that there were but two courses open, either to accept the amendment in the bill preserving the right of appeal to the Privy Council or to have the measure postponed, they said that any serious delay in the establishment of the Commonwealth would be more objectionable to the people of Australia than the amendment of the bill in the direction indicated.

SYDNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

RIGHT OF APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL.

At a meeting of the committee of the Chamber of Commerce held yesterday, it was decided that a cable should be sent to the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, protesting against any curtailment of the existing right of appeal to the Privy Council. The following message was later in the day sent to the Premier, with a request that he would cause same to be forwarded to Mr. Chamberlain:—

"Sydney Chamber of Commerce protests against any curtailment in Commonwealth Bill of existing right of appeal to the Privy Council.—Augustus F. Robinson, president."

Snapshots at the Yearling Sales appear in this week's "Mail."—Advt.

THE WAR.

RELIEF COLUMNS FOR WEPENER.

PROGRESS OF THEIR ADVANCE.

THE BLOEMFONTEIN WATERWORKS REOCCUPIED.

NEW SOUTH WALES LANCERS ENGAGED.

A "SNIPING" EXPERIENCE.

CUTTING OFF THE BOER RETREAT.

THE WORK OF THE BUSHMEN.

LONDON, April 25.

It is officially announced by the War Office that Lieutenant-General French with two cavalry brigades, and Lieutenant-General Pole-Carew with the Eleventh Division, reached Tweedpluk, which is five miles south of Leeuw Kop, on Monday. They experienced but little opposition.

Heliographic messages were exchanged between Tweedpluk and Lieutenant-General Sir H. M. Rundle at De Wet's Dorp.

Nine men of the 11 Dragoon Guards belonging to the cavalry brigades reported as missing, have returned to their regiment.

Lieutenant-General Ian Hamilton, commanding the Colonial Division, has occupied the Bloemfontein waterworks.

Lieutenant-General Ian Hamilton sent 140 New South Wales Lancers to occupy a square kopje one mile from and overlooking Waterval Drift, on the Modder.

The New South Wales Lancers after some "sniping" accomplished the task set them.

Major-General Smith-Dorrien and Major-General Macdonald have been sent to support Lieutenant-General Ian Hamilton, because the enemy is in strength in the neighbouring hills.

Major-General Maxwell's Fourteenth Brigade, belonging to the division of Lieutenant-General Tucker, moved eastward from Glen Camp, on the Modder, and seized the hills covering Kranz Kraal Waggon Bridge, on the Modder, 15 miles south-east of the Glen.

This movement cuts off at that point the retreat of the Boers to the northward.

The only casualty in carrying out the movement was the loss of Private Brum, of the New South Wales Mounted Rifles, who was taken prisoner.

The "Standard" estimated that there were 3000 Boers entrenched in the hills to the south-east when it was decided to advance on Sannahpost.

GENERAL RUNDLE ENTRENCHED.

LONDON, April 24.

The greater number of the Boers besieging Wepener is concentrating to oppose the advance of Lieutenant-General Sir H. M. Rundle, who is entrenched at De Wet's Dorp, where he is awaiting the arrival of Lieutenant-General Pole-Carew and Lieutenant-General French.

The force of Boers posted at Thaba'nchu to keep open the retreat of their commandos is likely to delay the march of Lieutenant-General French.

THE RELIEF OF MAFEKING.

WORK FOR THE BUSHMEN.

LONDON, April 24.

It is reported in Capetown that the work of relieving Mafeking rests with Major-General Sir Frederick Carrington and his division of Bushmen.

SIR CHARLES WARREN.

ADMINISTRATOR OF BECHUANALAND.

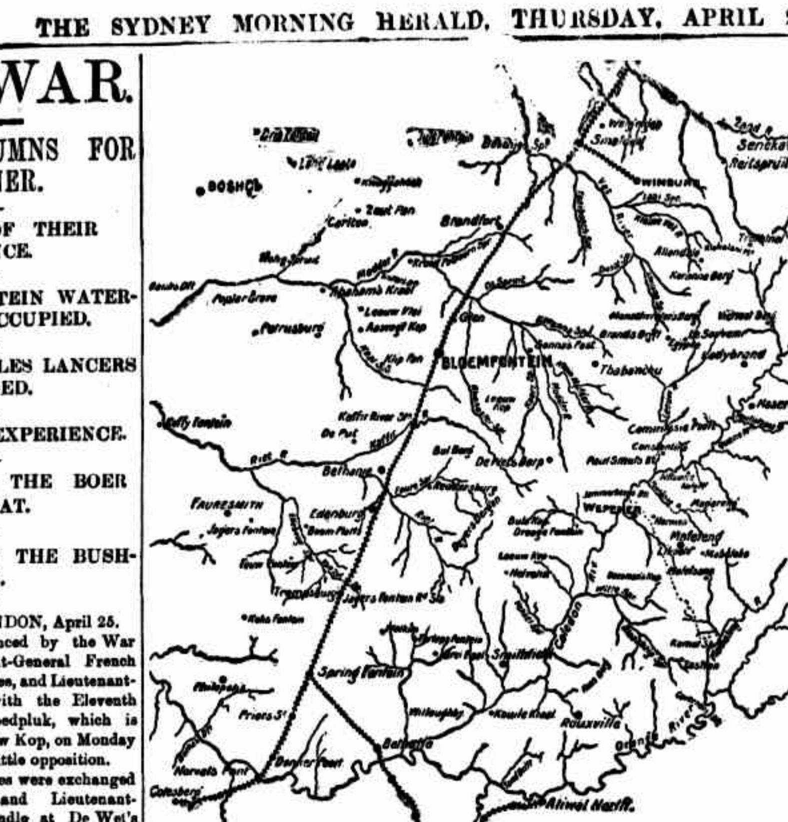
LONDON, April 24.

Lieutenant-General Sir Charles Warren, lately commanding the Fifth Army Division, has been appointed Administrator of Bechuanaland, west of the Transvaal, and not Military Governor of the Free State as previously announced.

THE SITUATION.

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FREE STATE.

It was stated that the Boers at Thaba'nchu were likely to delay the advance of Generals French and Pole-Carew, who started for De Wets Dorp for the purpose of co-operating with General Rundle in the relief of Wepener. That is sufficient to indicate that the position in the portion of the Free State south of Ladybrand and Bloemfontein and east of the railway is becoming somewhat complicated. The possibility of the Boers making a flank attack upon the force which is moving from Bloemfontein to De Wets Dorp has been averted by other British movements north and east of Bloemfontein. Those movements are of very great importance in the present position of affairs. By the aid of a map which is published in another column the reader will be able to trace them. The original object of the British advance was mainly to relieve Colonel Dalgetty's force at Wepener. For that purpose General Rundle left the railway, passed through Reddersburg, and reached De Wets Dorp, where he was compelled to throw up entrenchments and await reinforcements. Generals French and Pole-Carew started from Bloemfontein for the purpose of reinforcing him, and they captured a Boer position at Leeuw Kop, which is a little over 15 miles south-east of Bloemfontein. Then in order doubtless to protect their advance, and possibly with the further object of cutting off the retreat of the Boers in the east of the Free State, Lieutenant-General Ian Hamilton moved out towards Sannahpost and occupied the waterworks midway between Bloemfontein and Thaba'nchu, where the Boers are entrenched. The significance of the movement is suggested by the fact that Major-General Smith Dorien and Lieutenant-General Macdonald, with their respective brigades, have been sent to support Lieutenant-General Hamilton. The 14th Brigade, belonging to General Tucker's division, has advanced from Glen (on the Modder, north of Bloemfontein) in an easterly direction, and seized the hills covering Krantz Kraal and the waggon bridge on the Modder, thereby cutting the retreat of the Boers by that route. Krantz Kraal is 20 miles east-north-east of Bloemfontein and only four or five miles north of Waterval, from which the Thaba'nchu Boers are also menaced, as they are less than 20 miles distant. The "Standard" correspondent states that when it was decided to advance on Sannah-post there were 3000 Boers on the hills south-east of the British position; but it is evident that the advance from Glen and the presence of a strong force in the neighbourhood of Waterval has given ample protection to General French's advance, as it is announced that with General Pole-Carew he had reached Tweedpluk, five miles south of Leeuw Kop on Monday, having met with little opposition. He was able to exchange heliographic messages with General Rundle. Our cables distinctly indicate that an important advance has commenced to the east, and that when the Boers besieging Wepener are defeated they will have some hard fighting to do before they can get back to their headquarters in the north.



The map published to-day shows the scene of operations in the Free State. Wepener, where Colonel Dalgetty is besieged, is 69 miles from Bloemfontein via Leeuw Kop (where Generals French and Pole-Carew were recently engaged) and De Wet's Dorp (where General Rundle, who was proceeding to the relief of Wepener, is entrenched). General Brabant, who is within eight miles of Wepener, originally started from Aliwal North, in the south. The Boers at Thaba'nchu are threatening the advance of Generals French and Pole-Carew. Boshof in the north-west is Lord Methuen's headquarters.

MAFEKING.

The report from Capetown that the relief of Mafeking rests with Sir Frederick Carrington can only be accepted as a rumour or as an unauthorised expression of opinion. Generals do not give their plans away so freely. If Colonel Baden-Powell had to wait until 5000 Bushmen, a large proportion of whom have not yet left Australia, are to be concentrated at Marandellas or Salisbury prior to commencing a 250 miles journey to Bulawayo and another 490 miles along the railway to Mafeking, then we might begin to have apprehensions for the safety of the besieged town. The mere presence of bushmen in Charterland will of course be a source of strength to Colonel Plumer, for they will enable him to utilise the whole of the Rhodesian force for an attack on General Snyman and his array of besiegers. It is quite possible, too, that some of the Australians already in Rhodesia may go over to Gaberonnes, or wherever Colonel Plumer has his present headquarters, and they may join the gallant fighting column still trying to perform its heavy task. But half General Carrington's men will not arrive at Beira before another month. Then they will have a land journey of 1100 miles, although the question of supply and transport may not be a cause of much delay to a brigade of mounted infantry of the Australian type. A message was received from Mafeking some time ago to the effect that Lord Roberts had requested the garrison to hold out until May 24. By that time half of Sir Frederick Carrington's division will not have reached Salisbury. It is to be hoped that the expectation of more speedy relief coming from the south will be realised. Warrenton, south of the Vaal, where Lord Methuen has a strong camp, is exactly 179 miles from Mafeking, and if the Boers in the south-west of the Transvaal can be overcome in one or two engagements nothing is more likely than that General Snyman will make sure of his retreat and take his heavier artillery over the Transvaal border. Nothing has transpired to bear out the report that a column was marching northwards through Bechuanaland, still we may be assured that the troops between Kimberley and the Vaal are being reinforced. They have already reconnoitred for a considerable distance to the west, which suggests that the advisability of making a detour in order to get up to the beleaguered garrison is receiving consideration. At all events, after the elaborate organisation and preparation that have been made it is most probable that Lord Roberts will have a strong enough force in the west to co-operate with Colonel Plumer and save Colonel Baden-Powell's heroes without waiting for the assistance of men who have not yet left Australia.

A MESSAGE FROM COLONEL MACKAY.

Colonel J. A. K. Mackay, the officer commanding the Imperial Bushmen's Contingent, has asked us to say that owing to his time being so fully occupied up to the time of sailing he was unable to answer any of the numerous letters and telegrams sent to him by known and unknown well-wishers. He felt deeply gratified at the kindness shown, and trusts that this acknowledgment will be deemed sufficient.

IMPERIAL BUSHMEN.

COLONEL MACKAY.

In a supplement to the "Government Gazette" it is notified that his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to approve of Lieutenant-Colonel J. A. K. Mackay, the O.C. the Imperial Bushmen, being given the full rank of Colonel, such to take effect from April 5.

ARRIVAL OF THE MANHATTAN AT HOBART.

TASMANIAN CONTINGENT EMBARKS TO-DAY.

HOBART, Wednesday.

The transport Manhattan arrived shortly after noon to-day. The members of the Tasmanian Contingent, after a brief military review on the Domain with the local Defence Force, put their horses aboard and will themselves embark at 9 to-morrow morning. The steamer is expected to cast off at 10 a.m. Large crowds greeted the contingent on the line of march. The buildings were decorated with flags, a half-holiday was observed, and there was much enthusiasm.

INSURANCE OF THE QUEENSLAND CONTINGENT.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The question of the insurance of the members of the Fourth Contingent has been the subject of considerable discussion for some time. It was declared that the Government did not intend to insure the lives of the men, as they were volunteering directly for the Imperial service. Attempts were made to induce the Premier to depart from this resolution, at first without success, but it is now stated that arrangements have been made with the Australian Mutual Provident Society to insure the members of the contingent.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Lieutenant Dunn, M.B., has been promoted to be captain with the Imperial Bushmen's Corps.

THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING.

The "Times" publishes the following paragraph respecting Sir Frederick Carrington's command, which is to include the Imperial Bushmen's Contingent from Australia:—"Reuter's Agency understands that, in view of a possible attempt of the Boers during the later stages of the war to seek a means of escape to the north, and also to provide against the contingency of an attack on Rhodesia from the south, the Government has decided to establish a new force, to be known as the Rhodesia Field Force, the strength of which is to be 5000 men. This force, which will be under the command of Lieutenant-General Sir Frederick Carrington, will not, it is understood, be recruited in Rhodesia, and will not be drawn from the Chartered Company's police, who will remain at their present strength. It will probably be drawn from the various colonial contingents now on their way to, or already in, South Africa, and will include the 2500 Australian Bushmen recently asked for by Mr. Chamberlain. The company's force under Colonel Plumer's command will return to their various garrisons after the relief of Mafeking. The force is to be a temporary one, and will only be employed until peace has been re-established. Reuter's Agency is further informed that no apprehension exists in well-informed quarters regarding the safety of Rhodesia, and that there is no foundation for the various rumours current of unrest among the natives. The reports of distress in Rhodesia are also said to be untrue, although the prices of certain articles are somewhat high."

THE THIRD CONTINGENT.

Owing to the rainy weather the work of striking the Imperial Bushmen's tents at Rookwood was postponed yesterday by the Third Contingent.

It was a miserable day at the camp, the ground being, as usual when rain sets in, very muddy and slimy. Battalion drill was carried on. No move will be made until next week. Meanwhile the infantry are still waiting anxiously for a reply to the Governor's cable.

THE VICTORIAN SURPLUS BUSHMEN.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Recently the Government instructed the Agent-General to advise the Secretary of State that there were a couple of hundred surplus bushmen in the camp whose services were available if required. A reply was received to-day that Mr. Chamberlain thanked the Government, but was unable to accept the offer of additional men.

MESSAGES TO SOLDIERS AT THE FRONT.

CONCESSIONS BY THE COLONIAL GOVERNMENTS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Sir Charles Todd, Postmaster-General of South Australia, informed the Victorian Postal Department to-day that the Australian colonies, with the exception of New South Wales, have signified their willingness to forego all local telegraph rates chargeable upon cable messages which the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company have offered to transmit from relatives of Australian soldiers at the front to members of the various contingents, at the greatly reduced charge of 2s per word. Sir Charles Todd has expressed the opinion that the Sydney authorities will in all probability agree to make the same concession, and if they do so the new rate will then be brought into operation without delay.

THE LATE LIEUTENANT G. J. GRIEVE.

A TRIBUTE FROM THE BLACK WATCH.

ENDEARED HIMSELF TO THEM ALL.

A THOROUGHLY QUALIFIED LEADER.

The many friends of the late Lieutenant G. J. Grieve, who was adjutant of the 6th Regiment Australian Rifles, and proceeded as a special service officer to South Africa, where he was attached as captain of H Company of the "famous 42nd" (Black Watch) Highlanders, will read with interest the following touching letter which Mrs. Grieve, his widow, received by the last mail. It was written by Major T. Mowbray Berkeley, of the Black Watch, who says:—"Although not personally acquainted with you, I hope you will pardon me sending you these few lines. I wish to tell you how very sincerely every officer, non-commissioned officer, and man in the Black Watch sympathises with you in the very great loss which you have just sustained. From our knowledge of your late husband we can realise what the loss must mean, and we grieve with you from the bottom of our hearts. During the few weeks he was with us he had endeared himself to us all. He was attached to my company, so I saw more of him than anyone else. He was always so cheery, ready for any amount of hard work and looking forward to it, and was possessed of all the best qualities of a soldier. He had also a thorough knowledge of his profession. He was in two actions with me, and a more gallant fellow never existed, being perfectly cool, and inspiring all ranks with the utmost confidence. I know our men would have gladly followed him anywhere. On that last fatal day at Paardeberg he was most splendidly leading his half-company forward through a hail of bullets when he was wounded. Without thinking of himself, he began dressing the wound of another man by his side, who was also hit. While performing this work of mercy he got another bullet through the head, which killed him instantly. This was the death of your hero of a husband. His effects are being sent home to you. In the meantime I can only repeat that I mourn with you in your great sorrow."

Mrs. Grieve also received a short affectionate letter from her late husband, written on the eve of the battle, in which a strong premonition of his being killed was evident. He forwarded a letter to the Rev. M. Mullineux (the captain of the English football team who visited the colonies last year, and who afterwards left as chaplain with one of the contingents) asking the reverend gentleman to address it to his wife should he fall. This communication has also come to hand, with a kind letter of sympathy from Mr. Mullineux.

THE GRIFFIN MEMORIAL TABLET.

The Sergeant-major Griffin Memorial Committee held a meeting last night at the Angel Hotel, Pitt-street. Mr. Cavill occupied the chair. Reference was made to the unveiling ceremony in the Sydney Town Hall on Sunday last, and it was decided to place on record the valuable services rendered on that occasion by Miss Julie Davies, Messrs. Wiegand, Gehde, and Paoli, and by Mr. George Taylor, the artist who designed the tablet. Mr. James White, the sculptor who has the execution of the tablet in hand, expects to have the work finished in the course of a couple of months.

THE PATRIOTIC FUND.

The hon. treasurers, Messrs. J. Russell French and T. A. Dibbs, advise:—

Amount previously advised		£36,119 7 1
Crew of dredge Theta, fourth monthly contribution		0 11 6
"A.M.B." by Miss Ellison, at Moss Vale		0 15 0
W. A.		1 0 0
Half of amount collected by W. Schilg, of Burrumbuttock, near Albury, from loyal and naturalised Germans, who have no sympathy with the Boers		2 15 0
Collected at City Bank, Town Hall branch		0 18 0
The Municipality of Ingleburn's contribution		35 7 0
H. Newman, Cassilis	£0 10 0	
W. J. Braggett, Cassilis	0 10 0	
Sums under 10s	0 10 0	
		1 10 0
Collected at Nundle, per F. Payne		44 1 6
Collected by Mullumbimby Patriotic Committee		25 5 3
Stuart Town Branch Patriotic Fund—		
Received from Ladies' Committee	£17 12 5	
Committee List (No. 2188)—		
F. J. Reid £1 1 0		
H. Beater 0 10 6		
O. C. H. Mole 0 10 6		
J. Fitzsimmons 0 10 6		
P. E. Selick 0 10 6		
J. Sloane 0 10 0		
Sums under 10s 1 2 0		
	4 15 0	
Collected by Mrs. Mole (No. 2187)—		
K. Mole 0 10 6		
F. Blunden 0 10 6		
W. Blunden 0 10 6		
Sums under 10s 1 1 6		
	2 13 0	
Collected by Mrs. Fitzsimmons (No. 2189)—		
John Haynes, M.L.A. £1 1 0		
Mrs. John Haynes 0 10 6		
Sums under 10s 0 2 0		
	1 13 6	
Collected by T. Campbell (No. 2185)—		
Thos. Campbell £0 10 0		
Sums under 10s 0 16 6		
	1 6 6	
Collected by R. Hubbard (No. 2319)—		
R. Hubbard £1 1 0		
Sums under 10s 0 5 0		
	1 6 0	
Collected by H. M'Kay (No. 2186)	0 12 6	
Collected by C. Hall (No. 2316)	0 7 0	
Collected by T. Pulle (No. 2321)	0 5 0	
Collected by Mrs. F. Brazer (No. 2320)	0 2 6	
Collected by R. B. Suttor (No. 2317)—		
R. B. Suttor £1 0 0		
P. W. Suttor 1 0 0		
Sums under 10s 0 10 0		
	2 10 0	
"A.M.B.," by Miss B. Grace	1 15 10	
Sports, concert, and social receipts	47 3 5	
	82 2 8	
Less expenses	10 7 1	
		71 15 7
Colonial Sugar Refining Company's, Pyrmont, employees, 6th instalment		6 0 0
"A.M.B.," by Miss Pritchard, at Murrurundi		0 14 8
"Evening News" and "Town and Country Journal" Patriotic Fund, 12th instalment		10 4 10
Miss Kyngdon		1 0 0
Collected by Juvenile Australian Volunteers of Whitton, per L. Burton		1 8 0
Contributions from Brenda station—		
Thos. Barker Benson	£1 10 0	
Chas. Hill	0 10 0	
H. Rouse	0 10 0	
Jno. Ewing	0 10 0	
W. J. F. Dowling	0 10 6	
J. S. M'Govern	0 10 6	
Sum under 10s	0 5 0	
		4 6 0
Proceeds of Children's Bazaar at Hawthorne, Summer Hill, per Misses Queenie King, D. Seed, L. Bubb, and L. Hedon		7 10 3
Muswellbrook Branch Patriotic Fund, and collected at united intercession service of Presbyterian and Wesleyan churches of Muswellbrook		2 3 8
Sherbrooke Branch Patriotic Fund, first instalment, per R. H. Lalor		55 0 0
Bermagui Branch Patriotic Fund—		
Proceeds of concert	£5 19 0	
Proceeds of ball	4 2 0	
"A.M.B." at concert	1 11 0	
Proceeds of aboriginal corroboree	5 6 0	
J. P. Walker	5 5 0	
J. Morrison	1 1 0	
F. G. Roberts	1 1 0	
G. Mowatt	1 0 0	
W. Blackman	1 0 0	
G. Emanuel, Mrs. Christainson, J. M'Intosh, J. F. Trewnick, F. Riley, each 10s	2 10 0	
Collected by W. A. Pass	0 12 0	
Collected by W. F. Walker	0 17 6	
Sums under 10s	1 2 0	
	£31 6 6	
Less expenses	3 17 3	
		27 9 3
		£36,390 3 4

IN THE OTHER COLONIES.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

The Dunedin patriotic fund committee have forwarded £6000 to the Lord Mayor of London.

THE FIRST BUSHMEN'S CONTINGENT.

The hon. secretary of the Australian Bushmen's Contingent begs to acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to date (April 25, 1900):—

Previously acknowledged	£31,757 2 0
H. H. Holden, Gresford	1 0 0
W. O. Parish, Mutual Insurance-buildings, Sydney, proceeds of sale of horse	5 7 3
W. E. Smith, Limited, Sydney	2 17 6
Total to date	£31,766 7 3

DEATH OF A NEW ZEALANDER.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

Trooper Tarrant, one of the New Zealanders captured at Koorn Spruit, has died at Pretoria of typhoid fever.

HORSES FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

Two hundred and fifty horses will be shipped at Dunedin for South Africa by the Ormazon.

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT.

Sergeant W. Leggett, of the New South Wales Mounted Rifles, a son of Mr. W. Leggett, of Oxley's Peak, Merriwa, and formerly in the police force at Goulburn and Cootamundra, writing from the Australian base depot, Maitland camp, Capetown, on March 18, says he hurt his leg on the ship, and he was left with 20 others at the camp. He was in charge, as paymaster, of all the Australians not fit to go to the front. He had to look after the tents, blankets, and rations, and he was never done attending to one and another. He had been made a sergeant, and all sergeants doing clerical work were to receive 1s 6d per day extra from March 1. Eggs were 3d each, and cheese 1s 4d lb. There was in camp a Tasmanian who was shot through the neck. He accounted for three Boers, so he was satisfied. He is all right again, and wanted to go to the front at once. The surgeons took five pieces of a dum dum bullet out of the arm of a man. The Englishmen, as a rule, are a fine strapping lot, and have fine rosy complexions. Mr. Leggett gives his impressions of Capetown, speaks in complimentary terms of the Britishers, and writes humorously of life in camp.

PROMOTION OF AN OFFICER.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Lieutenant F. D. Jermyn, M.B., has been promoted to be captain in the Second Contingent now on service in South Africa.

STEAMERS CHARTERED.

A SIDE ISSUE IN THE COST OF WAR.

"Fairplay" reports, on March the 22nd, that the subjoined further vessels had been taken up in connection with the South African war to that date. The total so far engaged by the Admiralty was 183 vessels, of 1,510,587 tons gross.—

	Owners.	Tons gross.
S.S. Rakaia	N.Z. Shipping Co.	5628
S.S. Montcalm	Elder, Dempster, and Co.	5478
S.S. Goth	Union-Castle Co.	4738
S.S. Angola	Maclay and M'Intyre	4307
S.S. Rippingham Grange	Houlder Bros.	5790
S.S. Devon	Federal S.N. Co.	5489

The arrivals of the following steamers at the Cape were announced. The figures in parenthesis are the sea speeds of the vessels:—

Name of Ship.	Gross Tons.	Voyage from	Length of Voyage to Capetown
Servia, s. (16½)	7392	Southampton	26 days
		Queenstown	25 days
Austral, s. (17)	5524	London	21 days
Guelph, s. (12)	4917	Southampton	25 days
Mexican, s. (14½)	4661	Southampton	19 days
Orotava, s. (16½)	5857	Liverpool	21 days
		Queenstown	19 days
Avondale Castle, s. (13½)	5531	Southampton	23 days
Dunolly Castle, s. (12½)	4167	London	27 days
Sumatra, s. (13½)	4607	London	24 days

WHITE STAR LINE TRANSPORTS.

Now that the urgency appears to have passed, says "Lloyd's Shipping Gazette" of the 22nd ultimo, for pushing troops out rapidly to the Cape, the British Government are able to dispense with the services of the faster transports, and intimation has been received by the White Star Line that the Majestic will not be required to make another voyage. The Majestic left Liverpool on her first trip as a transport on December 13, when she conveyed to South Africa 2000 officers and men, including the 1st Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment, which was soon employed at the front, and took part in the attack on Spion Kop. She went out via St. Vincent in 14 days 21 hours, steaming time from Liverpool. Her second trip commenced at Southampton, whence she sailed on February 12 with 1688 troops. She left Capetown for home on March 11, and her duties as transport will terminate on her arrival in England.

WAR ENGINES FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Traction engines for use at the war, like many other necessaries, were (the "Daily Mail" states) made in a hurry at the last moment. How violent this hurry has been may be gathered from the experience of Messrs. Fowler and Co., of Leeds. Explaining why they were unable to carry out a contract with the Goole Rural District Council, the firm state that their works have "practically been commandeered by the War Office." Already 20 engines have been sent out by the firm to the Cape, and they still have orders for a score of armoured traction engines. The War Office experts have almost "lived on the premises for three months."

WOLLONGONG, Wednesday.

The ladies of Unanderra have forwarded a parcel of clothing for the use of our soldiers in South Africa.

WALCHA, Tuesday.

A large number of horses have been sold locally for use by the Imperial Government in South Africa.

NEW SOUTH WALES CASUALTIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I notice there is a difference of opinion as to what form the memorials to some of our brave volunteers who have already met their fate on the field of battle should take, and the proper place for the receptacle of the same.

If it is decided to have mural tablets, I would respectfully suggest St. Andrew's Cathedral as a proper and suitable place, especially as we have one or two memorial tablets there already referring to members of the New South Wales Soudan Contingent, who died in 1885, victims chiefly to that terrible disease, so disastrous to men on active service, viz., enteric fever. But as there might be some objection to this form of showing respect and admiration for our fallen heroes, I think it would be a good idea to erect a large monument in Centennial Park, say on one of the "kopjes" adjacent to the ground where the military reviews usually take place or close to the spot generally assigned as the saluting point, thereby rendering it a special object of interest, not only to the public generally, but to the volunteers in particular, who congregate there on special big parades (therefore, in my opinion, a very appropriate site), the names of all the men who lose their lives during the progress of the war to be inscribed, thereon, with the date and place when and where their lives were laid down for their country. Of course, the names should be shown in order, commencing with the names of the poor fellows who were the first to fall, viz., Troop Sergeant-major Griffin and Corporal Kilpatrick.

I would also like to refer to the letter of Trooper Middleton, New South Wales Lancers, in your issue of the 20th instant, in which he points out that many of the sick soldiers have to return to duty before they are convalescent owing to the limited accommodation in the hospitals, but that an endowment of £10 per bed would ensure them the privilege of remaining until they were thoroughly recovered. With these facts before us, why not devote some of the Patriotic Fund money to this purpose, thus assisting to save many soldiers' lives, and avoiding the necessity of their relatives becoming a charge on this fund afterwards, instead of keeping it locked up on the off-chance of relieving relatives of dead or wounded and invalided men? I think the Latin quotation, "Bis dat, qui cito dat," in its broadest sense, very applicable in this case, and if a few hundred pounds were given for this purpose it would be well invested. I do not think it should be necessary to start a fresh fund, especially with an Indian famine fund in prospect.

I am, &c., C. H. L.

LORD LAMINGTON IN SYDNEY.

SOME VIEWS ON MILITARY ORGANISATION.

AUSTRALIA AND THE WAR.

Lord Lamington, Governor of Queensland, and Lady Lamington arrived in Sydney yesterday on their way back to the northern colony, after a visit paid to England. The vice-regal party continued their journey by last evening's northern mail, having spent the day as the guests of Earl Beauchamp at Government House.

Lord Lamington courteously received a "Sydney Morning Herald" reporter in the afternoon, and answered briefly some questions put to him, more particularly as to the feeling in England about the despatch of Australian troops to the seat of war. The subject of federation was at one stage of the conversation mentioned, but his Excellency merely remarked that he arrived in England some time after the passage by the colonial Legislatures of the address to the Queen, and left before the federal delegates reached London. Consequently he had no opportunity of judging of public feeling generally on that important matter, and if he uttered opinions formed on other observations and personal study he would probably be overstepping that boundary of reticence which his position dictated he should preserve. But as to the war practically nothing else was talked about in England, and it was a notable fact that everywhere he went where the common topic was uppermost the action of the colonies in sending troops, and the behaviour of those troops at the front, were amongst the chief details discussed. The feeling was strong that Australia by her action had magnificently emphasised the unity of the British race. In his opinion it was now generally regarded as an inevitable result of the war that there must be a reorganisation of the army, and that one of the principal acts incidental to that remodelling would be the incorporation of colonial forces. A comprehensive scheme of paying retainers to trained men had many supporters in England. Lord Lamington had come to the conclusion that whereas a separate Australian navy was unnecessary the regular training of colonial men for duty in the British Navy when called upon—men who would constitute a colonial naval reserve, in fact—would be practicable and effective. These men need not necessarily be seamen, though no doubt much admirable material was available in the mercantile marine. But men generally employed about the wharfs could be made good man-o'-warsmen with proper training if fair inducement was offered to them to undergo that training. As to the land forces, a similar principle could be applied, so that the men who went in for the necessary training would obtain certain pay, in return for which they could be absolutely called out for service in case of war.

Asked if under such a scheme he favoured interchanges of troops between the colonies and England, Lord Lamington said he did not. He thought it was a very excellent thing to send colonial officers to England for instruction and experience, but it would be extremely difficult to change whole regiments, or even companies, about in the same way. Besides, what good result would accrue? The conditions here and in England were quite different, and the men could learn no more at home than they could in their own colony if subjected to the same period of continuous training under competent officers. He agreed that in some instances small bodies of our soldiers had profited by trips to England, and believed the same practice would be attended with similarly good effects, but that was a very different thing to establishing a rigid set of conditions under which colonial and English troops would be interchanged. But even if such an interchange were held to be beneficial it would be found to be impracticable in detail.

His Excellency was asked if he had heard expressed the opinion that the colonies were unwise in sending so many of their fighting men away at this juncture in the nation's affairs. His answer was emphatically in the negative. There would, he said, have to be a great naval war before Australia could want her soldiers back for her defence.

Lord Lamington would have prolonged his stay in Sydney but that he was anxious to be in Brisbane to witness the departure of the Queensland Imperial Bushmen.

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

THE CLAIMS OF BOMBALA.

BOMBALA, Wednesday.

The Federal Capital Commissioner, Mr. Oliver, continued the inquiry at the courthouse to-day into the suitability of Bombala as a federal capital site.

George Kalloud, stone-cutter, a resident of Bombala for 43 years, said he had used much of the stone from the sandstone quarries for headstones. One quarry was 10 miles long and 16ft. deep. The clay in the district was excellent for bricks and pipes. Marble lime was obtainable, and concrete could also be made. There was also excellent sand in large quantities for mortar.

Robert Eddie, medical practitioner in the district for 17 years, said the district was subject to no maladies. He had only seen three cases of typhoid during the period of his residence. Consumption and asthma were unknown. He attributed the immunity from disease to the pure water supply and to the high elevation. The proposed site was thoroughly healthy. He had stayed at Eden for intervals during the hottest months regularly for 17 years, and he considered the climate the best in Australia. The town was 300ft. above sea level, and free from insect pests. He had for years recommended Eden to Sydney people as a health resort.

Henry Lancaster, builder, a resident for 13 years, said there was an almost inexhaustible supply of timber for building purposes obtainable. He could get beams of messmate or other timbers 150ft. long and 16in. square which were admirably adapted for bridge building. He knew of acres of fireclay near the town. He had never seen white ants in the timber there.

Edward Plowright and Maurice Emanuel, general storekeepers, gave evidence as to getting all goods from Sydney excepting flour, because of the cheapness and quickness of transit as compared with Victoria.

The inquiry will be resumed at 10 a.m. to-morrow.

THE BATHURST SHOW.

PROMISE OF A RECORD EXHIBITION.

LARGE INFLUX OF VISITORS.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The Bathurst Agricultural Society has maintained a very high standard for its annual exhibitions for many years, though some very severe droughts have visited the district. The supporters of the society on this account have been sorely tried in their efforts to keep the shows up to the mark and to maintain for the society the leading position it long since achieved. This year the conditions are much more favourable. There have been good, serviceable autumn rains, and the countryside is looking better than it has been for several seasons. Grass is fairly plentiful, and though much of the stock is rough in the coat most of them are in pretty fair condition.

AN AUSPICIOUS OPENING.

The weather to-day was delightful, being bright and warm, and the management of the society, as well as the numerous visitors to the town, were in a very happy frame of mind. The show began most auspiciously. The trains from Sydney yesterday were crowded, and the people have been coming into the town by road and rail from all directions. All the available beds in the hotels were long since secured, and the hardest of shake-downs are at a premium. Some large crowds have attended previous Bathurst shows, but to-day promises to mark a record in the number of visitors admitted at the gates. Mr. Thompson, the indefatigable hon. secretary, has the showground and all its appointments in order. The president (the Hon. George Lee) was in attendance to-day, and welcomed the judges and visitors who came long distances. The honorary stewards, in order to assist, were early afield, and numbers of the horses were proudly bearing their prize ribbons before 11 o'clock. The prize list in connection with this show is a very long one, embracing large sections of live stock, produce, and miscellaneous exhibits. The large programme set out for the day, however, was successfully carried through and all the prize cards were posted before the evening. The balance of the judging will be almost entirely confined to the horse riding, where a great many attractive events will be decided during the next two days.

SATISFACTORY ENTRIES.

The attendance to-day was very good for a judging day, and the stewards provided some smart trotting trials and a little dashing fencing on the part of the hunters for the latter end of the afternoon. The entries are very satisfactory, the total being a little better than those for former shows. In the horse section one of the chief attractions is Mr. Buckland's team of trotters. The owner of Fritz has 14 horses here, and the pretty track on the ground will be the scene of some sparkling contests before the show is over. In blood stock there was a very moderate show. The handsome stallion Courage, by Trenton from Marguerite, won from Little Goodfellow and two others in the aged class, but there was nothing else of much event. Among the draughts the mares made the best class, but Mr. T. Gleeson won in the aged stallions with a horse of good weight and bone. Altogether the draught class was disappointing, and there should be money in introducing some fresh blood into the district. The best of the roadster stock was a stallion shown on behalf of Dr. Machattie, who is at present engaged in a sterner kind of competition than that of the show ring. A few rattling good hacks were shown; but the placed horses were easily picked out. In all these classes ponies made a very good show, and better classes are to come in all the driven sections.

THE CATTLE PENS.

In the cattle pens the beef breeds were fairly well represented by a few exhibits from the breeds of the Hon. George Lee, Messrs. James Lee and W. J. M'Philamy; but the dairy cattle made a poor display. Sheep formed decidedly the strongest feature of the show. The numerous pens in the well-built shed were all filled, and the exhibition of merinos was very high class. Three judges—Messrs. James Patrick, R. B. M'Martin, and D. J. Gibb—took all the classes, and they had a heavy task. Grade Vermonts came out very prominently in the award list, and it is evident that the strain has been largely introduced into the famous flocks of the Bathurst district. The great tussles of to-day were between the Lesholm sheep, those of the Hon. F. B. Suttor and Mr. H. C. Suttor, the Springfield Estate Company, Glasson and Glasson, and Mr. C. C. Hall. The last-named is a small and plucky breeder, who comes all the way from Yass to show his sheep. Here Mr. Lee had the best of the round, for he carried off several sectional championships and the grand championship of the yard. The Hon. F. B. Suttor was next, and his grand champion ewe was regarded by the judges as the most striking animal in the pens. Both grand champions are Vermont grade sheep. Mr. Suttor's ewe has a great record, having at the sheepbreeders' show in Sydney carried off the two sectional championships. She was champion at Bathurst last year. The show of British breeds was hardly up to those I have seen at Bathurst previously, but it was very creditable all the same, and I was glad to find the Downs sheep fairly well represented.

Next to the sheep come the pigs, of which there was a very fine lot. Bathurst breeders have evinced considerable enterprise in obtaining good pigs, and their exhibits prove that they exercise plenty of judgment in mating their stock. The pigs here have lots of constitution and size. Indeed, the Berkshires of Mr. Ingersole and Yorkshires of Mr. P. J. Ryan are splendidly developed.

THE POULTRY CLASSES.

The poultry show to-day was equal to many a metropolitan exhibition. There were a number of Sydney exhibitors represented, and the local birds held their own in several instances. T. Gow, of Windsor, won the special for the best gamecock, and W. Forner carried off that for the best bird in the show. The game classes were very good, the Indian being strong, while the British and Australian were the best ever seen in Bathurst. Brown Leghorns and Minorcas also made a record, and the display made by the Sydney fanciers was a very good one. Dogs were fairly good, and pigeons and canaries were strong.

FARM PRODUCE.

The show of farm produce was fair, wheat making the best feature. There were numerous entries, but the products generally were not up to the standard one expects in a good district. Very extensive displays were made by John Trivett and John Muldoon, and the former won for the best collection.

The artistic section was very good, and the children's exhibits were really high class.

THE AWARDS.

The following are the awards:—

Horses.—Blood stallions over 3 years: J. Gosper's Courage, by Trenton—Marguerite, 1; John Montgomery's Goodfellow, 2. Blood mare: E. Ingersole, 1; John Lee, 2. Blood filly: E. Ingersole, 1; Thomas Hesley, 2. Colt under 2 years: D. J. Hourigan, 1; R. L. Gilmour, 2. Active farm stallion: Charles Horton, 1; J. Godfrey, 2. Colonial-bred Clydesdale stallion: T. Gleeson, 1; John Alford, 2. Colt under 4 years: Thomas Foster, jun., 1. Colt under 3 years: Charles Boyd, 1; George Smith, 2. Draught mare: F. Hodge, 1; D. Cusick, 2; H. Cole, 3. Filly, under 3 years: W. Cornwell, 1; D. Cusick, 2. Filly, under 2 years: B. Edye, 1; G. W. Murray, 2. Colt foal: John Muldoon, 1, G. M. Griffin, 2. Filly foal: W. Cornwell, 1; G. Boardman, 2. Roadster stallion: Dr. Machattie, 1; R. L. Gilmour, 2. Coaching colt, under 2 years: W. E. Bunden, 1; R. Bryant, 2. Hack up to 14st.: G. R. Wellford, 1; John Phillips, 2. Light hack: Dr. Machattie, 1; C. W. Lawrence, 2. Hack, 15 hands: A. L. Wilson, 1; Kelk and Beer, 2. Lady's hack: C. Armstrong, 1. Fastest walking hack: Thomas Jones, 1; M. A. O'Callaghan, 2. Pony stallion, 12 hands: Claude Syer, 1; Ermi Brothers, 2. Pony stallion, 14 hands: G. M'Clure, 1. Pony, 14 hands, in saddle: T. A. Webb, 1; John Moore, 2. Pony, 12 hands, in saddle: W. H. Webb, 1; Dan Matthews, 2. Buggy pony: 14 hands: A. Robinson, 1; Frank D. Brown, 2. Buggy pony, 12 hands: A. T. Thompson, 1 and 2. Pony, between 13 and 14 hands: C. R. Pickworth, 1; J. Moore, 2. Pair of farm horses: D. Cusick, 1; T. Gleeson, 2. Champion draught gelding: G. E. Hamer and T. Gleeson, equal.

Cattle.—Durham bull: Hon. G. Lee, 1. Yearling bull: John Lee, 1 and 2. Durham cow: John Lee, 1. Hereford cow: J. Male, 1. Devon bull: W. J. M'Philamy, 1. Devon cow: W. J. M'Philamy, 1. Alderney bull: E. T. Webb, 1. Alderney cow: E. T. Webb, 1; B. A. Cutler, 2. Heifer: E. T. Webb, 1; W. Dowling, 2. Ayrshire bull: C. Boyd, 1. Cow: John Muldoon, 1; B. A. Cutler, 2. Heifer: John Muldoon, 1. Dairy bull: John Muldoon, 1; J. M'Intyre, 2. Milking cow: Charles Clifton, 1; A. G. Thompson, 2. Butter cow, subject to test: Charles Clifton, 28lb. of milk, 3·8 butter fat, 1; A. G. Thompson, 27½lb. milk, 3·3 butter fat, 2.

Sheep.—Merinos, fine-woolled rams, open class. Ram over 2½ years: Hon. G. Lee, 1, 2, and champion; Springfield Estate, 3. Ram under 2½ years: H. C. Suttor, 1; Hon. F. B. Suttor, 2. Ram under 1½ year: C. C. Hall, 1; Hon. G. Lee, 2. Unhoused, grass fed ram over 2½ years: G. Lee, 1; F. B. Suttor, 2. Ram under 2½ years: H. C. Suttor, 1 and champion; Springfield Estate, 2. Ram, under 1½ year: C. C. Hall, 1; G. Lee, 2. Strong combing ram, over 2½ years: G. Lee, 1; Springfield Estate, 2. Ram, under 2½ years: G. Lee, 1; Springfield Estate, 2. Ram, under 1½ year: G. Lee, 1 and champion; H. C. Suttor, 2. Unhoused grass-fed ram, over 2½ years: F. B. Suttor, 1; G. Lee, 2. Ram, under 2½ years: G. Lee, 1, 2, and champion. Ram, under 1½ year: F. B. Suttor, 1; G. Lee, 2. Fine-woolled merino ewes—Open class—Ewe, over 2½ years: Glasson and Glasson, 1 and champion; F. B. Suttor, 2. Ewe, under 2½ years: G. Lee, 1; H. C. Suttor, 2. Ewe, under 1½ year: C. C. Hall, 1; G. Lee, 2; F. B. Suttor, h.c. Unhoused grass-fed ewe, over 2½ years: G. Lee, 1; Springfield Estate, 2. Ewes, under 2½ years: G. Lee, 1 and 2. Ewe, under 1½ year: G. Lee, 1 and champion; C. C. Hall, 2; G. Lee, v.h.c. Strong combing ewes—Ewe, over 2½ years: F. B. Suttor, 1 and champion; Glasson, 2. Ewe under 2½ years: G. Lee, 1; Mrs. R. Glasson, 2. Ewe under 1½ year: G. Lee, 1; H. C. Suttor, 2. Unhoused, grass-fed ewe, over 2½ years: G. Lee, 1; F. B. Suttor, 2. Under 2½ years: Mrs. R. Glasson, 1; G. Lee, 2. Ewe, under 1½ year: G. Lee, 1; C. C. Hall, 2. Grand champion ram: Hon. G. Lee, 1. Grand champion ewe: Hon. F. B. Suttor. Lincoln ram, under 2½ years: J. A. Wallace, 1. Ewe over 2½ years: J. A. Wallace, 1. Ewe, under 2½ years: J. A. Wallace, 1. Border Leicester ram over 2½ years: Thompson Brothers 1. Ram under 2½ years: N. L. Suttor, 1; Thompson Brothers, 2. Ewe, over 2½ years: N. L. Suttor, 1; Thompson Bros., 2. Ewe, under 2½ years: N. L. Suttor, 1 and 2. Romney Marsh ram: J. Le Jacobs, 1 and 2. Ram, under 2½ years: J. Le Jacobs, 1. Ewe: J. Le Jacobs. Shropshire ram, over 2½ years: B. A. Cutler, 1; M. E. West, 2. Ram, under 2½ years: B. A. Cutler, 1. Ewe, over 2½ years: B. A. Cutler, 1, 2, and champion. Ewe, under 2½ years: B. A. Cutler, 1.

Pigs.—Berkshire boar: W. G. Ingersole, 1 and 2. Boar, under 9 months: Harrison and Johnson, 1 and 2. White Yorkshire boar: J. P. Ryan, 1; Harrison and Johnson, 2. Boar, under 9 months: Harrison and Johnson, 1; J. P. Ryan, 2. Berkshire sow: W. J. Ingersole, 1 and 2. Sow: J. P. Ryan, 1; W. J. Ingersole, 2. Sow in milk: W. J. Ingersole, 1 and 2. White Yorkshire sow: J. P.

Ryan, 1; Harrison and Johnson, 2. Sow, with litter: J. P. Ryan, 1 and 2. Black and tan sow: J. P. Ryan, 1. Sow, with litter: J. P. Ryan, 1; Chas. Clifton, 2.

Poultry.—Cochin China, buff or cinnamon—Cock or cockerel: Alf. Chatto, 1; Bonaventure Farm, 2. Hen: Bonaventure Farm, 1 and 2. Any other colour—Cock or cockerel: Bonaventure, 1; James Spratt, 2. Any other colour—Hen: Bonaventure, 1; Alf. Chatto, 2. Langshangs—Cock or cockerel: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Orpington—Cock or cockerel: L. L. Ramsay, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Brahma, cock: W. C. Forster, 1 and 2. Brahma light cock: W. C. Forster, 1 and 2. Light hen: W. C. Forster, 1 and 2. Black Spanish: Bonaventure, 1. Houdan cock: W. T. Sherringham, 1; J. H. Hemsworth, 2. Hen: George Platt, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Dorking hen: Bonaventure, 1. Plymouth rock, cock: A. Munro, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Hen: A. Munro, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Wyandottes, golden cock: Bonaventure, 1; K. M'Phillamy, 2. Hen: K. M'Phillamy, 1. Silver cock: L. L. Ramsay, 1; W. C. Forster, 2.

Malay gamecock: W. Jackson, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1; W. Jackson, 2. Indian cock: Dr. Harrison, 1; W. Parsons, 2. Hen: G. Hazeltine, 1; James Spratt, 2. British cock: W. Jackson, 1; G. Hazeltine, 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1; J. F. Forbes, 2. Black-breasted cockerel: Ada Attwood, 1. Pullet: Ada Attwood, 1; Dr. Edmunds, 2. Duck-wing hen: J. F. Coles, 1; Ada Attwood, 2. Any other colour, cock: W. T. Sherringham, 1; Ada Attwood, 2. Hen: Ada Attwood, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Australian, black-breasted, red cock: Thomas Gow, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Hen: W. T. Sherringham, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Under 12 months, cock: Bonaventure, 1; J. F. Coles, 2. Black-red, pullet: W. P. Sly, 1; J. H. Carpenter, 2. Duck-wing: W. Jackson, 1; Thomas Perry, 2. Hen: W. Jackson, 1 and 2. Any other colour, cock, W. H. Vine, 1; C. M. Price, 2. Hen: Sherringham, 1; D. Sullivan, 2. Hen-feather cock: R. Thompson, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Hen: Thomas Parry, 1; D. Sullivan, 2.

Leghorn—Brown cock: Sherringham, 1 and 2. Hen: W. C. Forster, 1; Thomas Allison, 2. White cock: James Spratt, 1; A. F. Dawson, 2. Hen: Bonaventure Farm, 1; Turner Brothers, 2. Minorca cock: A. F. Dawson, 1. Hen: H. Cadell, 1; A. J. S. Lucock, 2. Andalusians—Cock: Mrs. G. Cook, 1; George Platt, 2. Hen: H. M. Hamilton, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Hamburg—Silver or gold cock: Bonaventure, 1; Sherringham, 2. Hen: Sherringham, 1 and 2. Silver or gold spangled cock: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Any other colour cock: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Polish—Cock: Bonaventure, 1. Hen: Bonaventure, 1. Any variety not named—Cock: Glasson and Glasson, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1; Glasson and Glasson, 2. Bantams—Game, black-breasted cock: Thomas Gow, 1; Bonaventure, 2. Black-red hen: W. Jackson, 1; C. J. Hall, 2. Any other colour cock: Bonaventure, 1; Sherringham, 2. Hen: Bonaventure, 1 and 2. Other than game—Cock: B. Pryor, 1; K. K. Ramsay, 2. Hen: R. H. Watkins, 1; K. K. Ramsay, 2. Aylesbury—Drake: W. Jackson, 1. Duck: W. Jackson, 1; F. J. Jones, 2. Rouen—Drake: Sherringham, 1; B. J. Barham, 2. Duck: Charles Holman, 1; B. J. Barham, 2. Muscovy—Drake: B. A. Cutler, 1; W. Jackson, 2. Duck: B. A. Cutler, 1; Ada Attwood, 2. Pekin—Drake: R. H. Watkins, 1; B. A. Cutler, 2. Duck: R. H. Watkins, 1; D. Sullivan, 2. Geese.—Toulouse—Gander: Sherringham, 1; W. Kite, 2. Goose: W. E. Burden, 1; W. Kite, 2. Any other variety—Gander: W. Davis, 1. Goose: W. Kite, 1. Turkeys.—Cock: W. G. Lee, 1; G. Lee, 2. Hen: W. G. Lee, 1.

Pigeons.—Dragoons—Blue: A. Corkett, 1. Silver: W. Corkett, 1 and 2. White: A. G. Thompson, 1; A. Corkett, 2. Any other variety: W. Corkett, 1. Antwerps: W. Corkett, 1; Turner Brothers, 2; R. Plowman, 3. Pouters: Turner Brothers, 1. White: Turner Brothers, 1. Baldheads: R. Plowman, 1. Barbs—White: R. A. Wills, 1; W. J. Ingersole, 2. Black: Turner Brothers, 1. Nuns: W. Corkett, 1. Magpies: W. Bowen, 1. Turbits: Turner Brothers, 1. Almonds: W. Bowen, 1. Tumblers: E. Leed, 1. Ringfaned: W. Corkett, 1. Other prize-takers were B. Pryor, W. C. Former, M. Schoe.

In canaries the winners of the first prizes were T. J. O'Loughlin, who took 13 prizes, J. Henderson, W. Parsons, John Rofer.

Farm Produce.—Best collection: John Trivett, 1; John Muldoon, 2. Wheat in sheaves: John Muldoon, 1. Manitoba wheat: James Maher, 1; W. E. Burden, 2. Bag of wheat: Willard Brothers, 1; W. Schone, 2; H. T. Townsend, 3; Rembrand Brothers, 4. Maize: G. Trivett, 1; N. L. Suttor, 2. Maize, early: James Pratley, 1; John Grist, 2. English barley: Rembrand Brothers, 1; John Muldoon, 2. Cape barley: Rembrand Brothers, 1; T. W. Baker, 2. Potato oats: T. W. Baker, 1; Percy Spring, 2. Tartarian oats: David Eaton, 1. Marrow peas: T. W. Baker, 1. White peas: Rembrand Brothers, 1. Lucerne seed: Rembrand Brothers, 1. Rye: A. F. Walker, 1; John Muldoon, 2. Mammoth rye: John Muldoon, 1. Potatoes: E. Restwick, 1; P. Hinley, 2. Collection of potatoes: G. N. Fails, 1. Collection of green fodder: John Muldoon, 1; George Trivett, 2. Oaten hay: E. Hamer, 1; Mrs. Kable, 2. Wheaten hay: John Muldoon, 1; Mrs. Kable, 2. Lucerne hay: Mrs. Kable, 1; W. Hurst, 2. Oaten hay, in sheaves: Mrs. Kable, 1. Wheaten hay, bound: Charles Clifton, 1. Oaten chaff: Mrs. Kable, 1; T. W. Baker, 2. Wheaten chaff: T. W. Baker, 1; Percy Baker, 2. Ensilage: F. Restwick, 1; John Muldoon, 2.

Dairy Produce.—Flitch of bacon: Charles Barnes, 1. Side of bacon: Charles Barnes, 1. Ham: E. Ingersole, 1; W. Kite, 2. Eggs: T. Dwyer, 1; F. J. Jones, 2. Butter: James M'Intyre, 1; George Palmer, 2. Factory Butter: Tremain Brothers, 1; Brennan and Hughes, 2.

Garden Produce.—Cauliflower: John M'Phillamy, 1. Cabbages: W. G. Hurst, 1. Onions: H. J. Curtis, 1; Dr. Hurst, 2. Carrots: Dr. Hurst, 1; John M'Phillamy, 2. Parsnips: Dr. Hurst, 1; W. Hurst, 2. Celery: Dr. Hurst, 1. Turnips: G. Raglan, 1. Pumpkins: J. Cox, 1; George Churches, 2. Marrows: G. Churches, 1; G. Trivett, 1. Rockmelons: Dr. Hurst, 1; J. Cox, 2. Cucumbers: J. Cox, 1; John M'Phillamy, 2. Tomatoes: Dr. Hurst, 1; W. Hurst, 2. Collection of vegetables: Yet, Sing, and Co., 1. Pickling vegetables: Dr. Hurst, 1.

Fruit.—Apples: G. R. Cook and Sons, 1; dessert apples, J. Cox, 1. Pears: Jonas Kefford, 1. Peaches: C. W. Griffin, 1. Quinces: John Muldoon, 1. Grapes: C. W. Griffin and Fred Rott. Figs: Jonas Kefford, 1.

Flowers, &c.—Plants, flowers, ornamental plants: Arthur Kefford, 1. Ferns: Jonas Kefford, 1; Mrs. Hansard, 2. Fuchsias: Jonas Kefford, 1. Geraniums: C. Clifton, 1; Jonas Kefford, 2. Begonias: Arthur Kefford, 1. Tree Coleus: Jonas Kefford, 1. Ornamental trees: Arthur Kefford, 1. Collection of plants: Jonas Kefford, 1. Foliage plants: Jonas Kefford, 1. Collection of plants and flowers: Jonas Kefford, 1. Cut flowers—Dahlias: Jonas Kefford, 1. Collection of dahlias: Mary Lowe, 1. Chrysanthemums, six varieties: R. E. Fleming, 1. Rosebuds: G. Lee, 1; W. G. Lee, 2. Rose blooms: G. Lee, 1; W. G. Lee, 2. Verbenas: Arthur Kefford, 1. Table bouquets: Arthur Kefford, 1. Hand bouquet: Nellie Bambury, 1; Turner Brothers, 2. Three sprays: Turner Brothers, 1; Nellie Bambury, 2. Buttonhole bouquets: Turner Brothers, 1; Nellie Bambury, 2. Floral wreaths: Jones Kefford. Collection of cut flowers: Turner Brothers. Amateur class: One fern: Mrs. J. T. Slack, 1; Mrs. J. Tremain, 2. General plants: Mrs. Lee. Chrysanthemums: G. Lee, 1; R. Fleming, 2. Twelve varieties: R. Fleming, 1; Beatrice Lee, 2. Fifteen chrysanthemums: R. E. Fleming. Japanese: R. E. Fleming. Collection of cut flowers: T. Durack.

Produce and Foods.—Wheaten flour: Tremain Brothers. Maize meal: W. H. Gartrell, 1; J. H. Carpenter, 2. Home-made bread: Flo. Macqueeney, 1; Ethel Churches, 2. Baker's bread: W. H. Gartrell, 1; J. H. Carpenter, 2. Sauces: H. M. Butler, 1; Mrs. M'Intyre, 2; H. M. Butler, 3. Sponge cake: Lilla Dowse, 1; H. M. Butler, 2. Seed cake: Una Macdougall, 1; Emily Gartrell, 2. Plum cake: Emily Gartrell, 1; M. Schol, 2. Plum pudding: T. Saville, 1; Mrs. Kable, 2. Cakes: Sarah Grose, 1; Emily Gartrell, 2. Pound cake: Emily Gartrell, 1. Tomato sauce: Mrs. W. J. Burgess, 1; H. Sherman, 2. Cutney: A. Jeffries. Jam: Mrs. H. Lew, 1; Mrs. H. Stone, 2. Jellies: Mrs. H. Stone. Bottled fruits: Mrs. Stone. Collection of bottled fruits: L. Laraner, 1; Mrs. Stone, 2. Preserves of quinces: Mrs. Stone. Collection of bottled fruits: Mrs. Stone. Orange conserves: L. Saville, 1; Mrs. Stone, 2. Jams: Una Macdougall, 1; Ella Hudson, 2. Extracted honey: C. W. Griffin. Granulated honey: C. W. Griffin. Turnover loaves: A. M. Kelly, 1; J. H. Carpenter, 2.

Wines and aerated waters.—Vinegar: John Sherman. Ale: Walker and Co. Gingerbeer: Sherman and Co.

Buggies, Waggons, and Carts.—Business cart: Fish and Sons. Springcart: Fish and Sons. Trolly: Fish and Sons. Dray: Fish and Sons. Best collection of vehicles: Fish and Sons. Other first prizetakers were: W. Dwyer, G. T. Bennett, and River Brothers.

Fine Arts, Original Section, Oil Colours.—Figure work: J. A. Daplyn, 1; Winifred Webb, Hathrop, 2. Animals: A. J. Daplyn, 1; Miss Thompson, 2. Landscape: A. J. Daplyn, 1; H. A. Pike, 2. Still life, flowers, &c.: Ethel M. Palmer, 1; Minna Thompson, 2; Winifred Webb, h.c.; K. E. Bogan, Blackwall, h.c. Copy: K. E. Bogan, Blackwall, 1; May Apps, 3; Ethel M. Palmer, h.c. Champion prize best picture in oils in exhibition: A. J. Daplyn. Watercolours, landscape: A. J. Daplyn, "Sydney." Still life, flowers, &c.: F. C. Bowler, 2. Copy (any subject): E. C. Armstrong, 1. Champion prize (best picture in water-colours in exhibition): A. J. Daplyn, "Black and White." Figure work: Elizabeth Biddulph, 1; A. J. Daplyn, 2. The other principal prize-takers were Verna Webb, Isabella Cutler, Ethel Jones, Charlotte Adlum, R. E. Passoe, Ivy Innes, Grace Thompson, H. W. Todd, Muriel Lee, Ida Thompson, A. H. Wright, Vera Williams, A. E. Trew, Charles Hendry, Walter Seage, Lottie Midson, George Sappey, Alice Wark, D. J. Murphy.

Photography.—Portraits, work of exhibitor: Beavis Brothers, 1; A. W. Cockerton, 2. Enlargement, work of exhibitor: A. W. Cockerton, 1; Beavis Brothers, 2. Enlargements, work of exhibitor: Beavis Brothers, 1; A. W. Cockerton, 2. Amateurs only—½ plates: Architecture, Edith Preen. Landscapes, quarter plate: W. E. Cook. Three landscapes: B. L. Turner, 1; S. E. Marsden, 2. Three landscapes, whole plate: S. E. Marsden, 1 and 2. Animals: H. A. Pike. Still life: F. A. Hansard, 1 and 2. Copy, any subject: O'Dwyer, 2 and 3. Pictures, half-plate or portrait cabinets: R. L. Turner. Pictures, snapshots: S. E. Marsden, 1; Kelso, 2. Enlargement of landscape: W. E. Cook, 1; R. L. Turner, 2. Enlargement of portrait: B. L. Turner. Collection of photographs: Edith Preen, Bathurst.

Plain and Fancy Needlework.—The principal prizetakers in this section were Scarlotta Robertson, Mrs. Lavenne, Edith Hindmarsh, Miss Scott, Ada West, Nellie Simmons, Ida Edgley, Minnie Angel, Wagga; Eveline Clarke, E. S. May, Grace Carroll, Mrs. Stanley, Netta Anderson, Elsie Barham, Essie Gornall, Phoebe Glendenning, Mrs. A. Hughes, Eva Barham, Miss S. Flanagan, Miss Wood, Mrs. A. Ellis, Caroline Clift, Nina Whiley, Ethel Waddell, Stella Hindmarsh, Ethel Graham, Essie Hindmarsh, Maud Shepherd, F. G. Armstrong, Amy Griffin, Elsie Angel, Bertha Swan, Vera Williams, Edith Gardiner, Lily Read, Flora M'Dougal, Gertrude Morton, Myrtle Neary, and Kathleen Dowse.

A NEW BUILDING ACT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The municipal representatives are to be congratulated on their energetic and persistent efforts to secure new Building Acts for the city and suburbs, but with a view to bringing these efforts to a successful and practical issue, I would suggest that these draft Acts be referred to the Institute of Architects and the Builders and Contractors' Association, as while the main objects to be attained are good and healthy homes, sanitary arrangements, and proper safeguards against fire (not necessarily wholesale fire-proofing), any new Act to be effective must provide for the ever-increasing improvements in materials and construction, the proper employment of which professional skill only can provide for.

Also in suburban matters, closely adjoining premises and shops require special legislation and protection against structures of secondary and inferior nature not needed in isolated residences. While the important matter of fire-proofing must receive a large amount of consideration, it is essential that all hotels and accommodation houses of two or more stories should have at least an inexpensive fire escape staircase.

Architects and builders being greatly affected and interested in matters pertaining to their craft, it is to be hoped that before any draft proposals are submitted to Parliament they may receive their full consideration.

I am, &c.,
E. LINDSAY-THOMPSON.

Soliciting Alms.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Mair, S.M., Frederick Lysaght, aged 40, and John Long, aged 38, were each charged with having solicited alms in Illawarra-road, Marrickville, on April 24. They were ordered to be imprisoned with hard labour for three days.

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THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

YESTERDAY'S CASES.

A CHAT WITH A RELEASED PATIENT.

HIS OPINIONS ON THE QUARANTINE STATION.

Yesterday's total of plague cases numbered five, with two deaths, but both the latter were of persons who were dead before they were seen by members of the medical inspecting staff. The cause of death was therefore ascertained by post-mortem examinations. The names of the two dead patients are Henry Branch, a child 5 years of age, who lived with his parents at Paddington; and Timothy Maher, who lived in the city. The other patients were Frederick Morris, residing in the city; Frederick Basman, residing at Waverley; and Ellie George, residing at Guildford. There were no deaths at the Quarantine Hospital.

The daily report from the Quarantine Hospital mentions that 16 patients—Keenan, Downs, Casson, Isaac Thompson, John White, Natalli, Wm. Hill, Saw, Harvey, Tindall, Bogan, Mrs. Boshell, Mrs. Dibley, Miss Mulvihill, Miss La Frenze, and Emily Shaw—have been removed to the convalescent home. The patients still remaining in hospital are spoken of more hopefully than during the last two or three days, but one patient is said to be still in a critical state.

Last night the barriers erected around three-fourths of the Goulburn to Hay-street quarantined area of the city were removed, and very little of the area now remains in quarantine except the lower part adjoining the wharfs. A great deal of rubbish was taken out during the day, about 100 carts being busily employed. Probably the remaining portion of the area, except that adjoining the wharfs, will be ready for release to-day.

Greater success was met with yesterday in the catching of rats than ever before. The total number cremated was 279, and they came from one or two suburbs, though by far the greater number were captured in the city itself.

INTERVIEW WITH A DISCHARGED PATIENT.

TRANSPORT TO THE QUARANTINE HOSPITAL.

On Tuesday several patients who had recovered from the plague were released and returned to their homes. Yesterday one of them, Mr. E. C. Bevan, was seen; and as there have complaints made with regard to the method of taking patients to the Quarantine Station, not only with regard to the trip down the harbour, but also to the jolting in the ambulance van, Mr. Bevan was asked to state his opinion. In reply he said that so far as he was concerned he had no complaint to make. He was placed on a stretcher at his home, was lifted upon it into the ambulance van, and taken to the quarantine depot; then he was lifted, still on the stretcher, into the boat, and at the end of the journey was again taken from the boat to the hospital.

"Did you feel any jolting in the van?" was asked of him.—"No," was the reply, "the driver went very slowly. I think he never sent the horses out of a walk, and I was as comfortable during the journey as I could expect to be. I live at Waverley, and the road to the city is not a particularly smooth one, but the driver took every care to make me as comfortable as possible. I have nothing to complain of."

"Then with regard to the journey on the steamer to the station?"—"I was still on the stretcher, and there was nothing in the motion of the boat to which I could object. I don't think there is any cause for complaint; at all events there was none in my case. I was treated with the greatest kindness from the moment the medical officer told me that I would have to go to quarantine till I came out yesterday. The doctor and the nurses were very good indeed. I have been told that some people think patients ought not to be quarantined if they object to it; but I do not think there is any way of treating a patient in his own home as well as he would be treated in the hospital. The nurse is always on duty, and the doctor (Dr. Salter) is ready to come at a minute's call. I know he stayed up all one night with me. I was very bad at the time, and was as close to the gates of death as I wish to be. If it had not been for the doctor I should have been carried over the hill, as we call the cemetery down there. I have seen him sit up all night with other patients, giving them stimulants, and if he had not done so they would also have died. The nurses and the doctors all do their utmost to save the patients, and the people should know it. If anyone were treated in his own home he could not possibly be better treated, even if he had a doctor and nurses living on the premises."

"Then your opinion is that no more can be done for the patients than is done?"—"I don't think the Government nor the Health Department can possibly do any more for the patients than they are doing."

Mr. Bevan then went on to speak of the "contacts." His wife was quarantined with him when he was taken to the station, and from what she had told him, he said, there was not any reason to grumble. Any trouble among the people there was caused by the contacts themselves, who were sometimes unreasonable.

In conclusion, Mr. Bevan said that the released persons saw Dr. Salter on the verandah of the hospital before they left the station on the previous day, and thanked him for the care he had given all of them. He thanked them in return for keeping up their hearts, and then they all gave him three cheers and wished him good-bye.

THE CITIZENS' VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE.

A well-attended meeting of the executive of the Citizens' Vigilance Committee was held yesterday afternoon in the Mayor's room of the Sydney Town Hall. Alderman Dr. Graham was in the chair. Dr. Tidswell, who was invited, said he was present to offer to assist the committee in every way consistent with the duties of his official position. It was announced that the Mayor had offered to the committee the services of any of his officials from whom the committee might desire assistance, and it was also stated that the Board of Health would be glad to co-operate with the committee in every possible way. Certain resolutions were agreed to for submission to the general committee, namely—(a) In reference to the formation of sub-committees in the various municipalities; (b) in relation to matters on which the Premier is to be approached; and (c) on a scheme for the destruction of rats. It was also agreed that propositions should be put before the Premier, and that the attention of the Municipal Council of Sydney should be drawn to the powers possessed by the council under the Health Act, and that the Government should appoint female sanitary inspectors. A number of letters were received from persons forwarding complaints of the insanitary condition of certain places. It was arranged that these should be investigated, and that the committee should regard all complaints made to it as strictly confidential, so that employees and dependents making them should not be prejudiced. A number of new members were added to the general committee and further subscriptions towards incidental expenses were received. The executive adjourned to 4 p.m. to-day. It will submit a report to the general committee at a meeting to be held at 8 o'clock this evening.

RATCATCHING AT DRUMMOYNE.

HEALTH OF THE BOROUGH.

At Tuesday night's meeting of the Drummoyne Council the inspector of nuisances and local health officer (Mr. Thomas Connell) reported that he had revisited a number of places, where he pointed out to the occupiers in his inspection of the borough improvements were necessary. He was pleased to say that in most cases the work had been carried out, more especially where no drain existed. There were now only a few remaining premises where drains were required. During the past few days he had been employed destroying rats. The general health of the borough was excellent, no cases of infectious disease having occurred within the borough for nearly two months. The report was received and adopted.

PRECAUTIONS IN THE COUNTRY.

QUARANTINE ARRANGEMENTS AT ALBURY.

ALBURY, Wednesday.

The Mayor regards the situation in connection with the proposed quarantining of plague patients in this district as unsatisfactory, in view of Dr. Gresswell's latest utterance. The Mayor therefore proposes to telegraph to the Premier (Mr. Lyne) asking him if it is arranged that passengers discovered to be suffering from plague on arrival at Albury shall be sent into quarantine at Wodonga. He will ask for a definite reply, as there is some uncertainty as to what is intended by the Victorian authorities. If the Wodonga protest is upheld, and passengers from New South Wales suffering from plague are not permitted to cross the Murray, the Mayor thinks that Mr. Lyne should act on his promise to make arrangements for establishing a quarantine station near Albury.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

The Public Health Department has written to the local council asking that a detached cottage be secured in the event of the bubonic plague making its appearance in the town.

NEW CALEDONIA.

The Consul-General for France (M. Biard d'Aunet) has received an official communication from the Government of New Caledonia showing that no fresh case of plague has occurred in the colony since March 21. The quarantine regulations are still in force in Noumea, but isolation, as formerly applied on land, has been abolished.

RATS AND SANITATION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I have read with interest two letters from your two recent correspondents, Dr. Watson Munro and another. The former suggests an organised system of sanitation, including a proper course of lectures on that subject in each municipality to the people. The latter suggests the adoption of the system of rat-catching in Paris during the siege of 1870 by means of ratpits bestrewn with glucose. With regard to this mode of rat-catching I can add my testimony to the efficacy of it for that purpose as I was present in Paris at the time. It appears to me to be one very useful method of catching the rats wholesale, if not the only one suited to large numbers. With regard to Dr. Watson Munro's remarks, I may say that I am entirely at one with him, but would wish to remind him that the Australian Ambulance Association already fills the bill that he suggests. I happen to be, together with a large number of other medical men in Sydney, one of the medical officers of that association, and we have all long since been delivering lectures to and teaching the public in the city and suburbs of Sydney the science and practice of sanitation, first aid to the injured, and the rudiments of home nursing in the case of ordinary and slight ailments. We should all be only too pleased to receive Dr. Watson Munro in our hard working ranks, where we all work without fear of man or hope of reward. I must agree, however, with the doctor in his desire to see the thing more organised than it is at present locally.

I am, &c.,
HARGREAVES H. H. HANSON,
L.R.C.P.E., L.R.C.S., Edin.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—There is no doubt that the cleansing of the city has been for the benefit of the public, forced on by the voice of the people, and carrying out the law of God that cleanliness is next to godliness. Admitting that parts of the city have been thoroughly cleansed and whitewashed, yet I notice that old buildings with rotten shingle roofs, weatherboard enclosures, verandahs and wooden fences have been allowed to remain. Fences and wooden structures have been limewashed, which can only cover their surfaces until heavy rain falls, when they show their hard visage again. Then again the weatherboard partitions covered with hessian and paper are permitted in dwelling-houses, and may be seen anywhere in Chinese quarters. All back yards should be asphalted. When these improvements are made and the wharf accommodation is placed under a harbour trust, then will this be considered the queen city of the south.

April 25. I am, &c., JAMES MILNE.

MINISTERIAL VISIT TO WATERLOO.

INSPECTION OF LOCAL REQUIREMENTS.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan, Minister for Works, paid a visit to the districts of Waterloo and Alexandria for the purpose of inspecting a number of improvements that the Government has been asked to carry out. The Minister was met at the Works Department by Messrs. Dacey and Anderson, Ms.L.A., members for the district, and the Mayors and aldermen of the two boroughs concerned. The party was conveyed in drags along Elizabeth-street as far as the Waterloo Town Hall. The object was to show the Minister the route of the proposed tramway from the Haymarket, along Elizabeth-street, connecting with the Botany tram line at the Waterloo terminus. The Minister expressed himself as favourably impressed with the proposal. The route of the proposed tramline along Regent-street, from George-street, connecting with the present tram service at Redfern-street, Redfern, was also visited, and this proposal likewise gained favour in the eyes of the Minister. The party was then driven to the Waterloo Town Hall, where the Mayor, Alderman Parry, entertained the company at refreshments. The Minister was warmly welcomed to the district, and replied to the toast of his health, submitted by the Mayor. A tour of inspection of the district was then entered upon. A visit was first paid to the open creek running through land from M'Evoy-street to Botany-road. The proposal of the Waterloo Council was that the Government should construct a closed-in concrete sewer, and thus get rid of what was at present a nuisance dangerous to the health of the residents in the immediate neighbourhood. The party was then driven to Ricketty-street, North Botany, where an excellent view of Shea's Creek canal was obtained. Here the Minister had brought under his notice the advisability of placing the abattoirs upon the banks of this canal, or, at any rate, in its immediate neighbourhood. The close proximity of the railway, the easy distance from the city, and the means of reaching the sea by the canal, together with the fact that the district was the home of the noxious trades, were reasons assigned by the municipal representatives why the abattoirs should be located there. The Minister, while expressing no opinion as to which would be the best site for the abattoirs, urged the residents of the district to gather all the information available in support of their claim, and lay the same before the Cabinet, which would have to decide the matter. The councils then asked that the canal should be extended as far as the Botany-road, in order that its usefulness might be increased. This, the Minister thought, would be a wise step. Mitchell-road was next visited, along which it is proposed to extend the Waterloo tram service, but the Minister could not hold out much hope of this work being carried out in the near future. The party then drove to the Alexandria Town Hall, reaching there at 6 p.m., and immediately afterwards sat down to an excellent spread, arranged by the Mayor and aldermen of the district, and prepared by Mr. S. P. Bray. The chair was occupied by the Mayor of the borough (Alderman Banner), who had on his right the Hon. the Minister for Works and Mr. George Anderson, M.L.A., and on his left Mr. J. R. Dacey, M.L.A., and Alderman Parry (Mayor of Waterloo). There were seated at the tables the aldermen and officers of the boroughs of Waterloo and Alexandria, and a number of leading residents of the district.

The toast of "The Queen" having been honoured the chairman proposed "The Ministry, coupled with the name of the Minister for Works." He said the aldermen of the district were pleased that Mr. O'Sullivan had honoured them with a visit that afternoon to inspect much needed local requirements, which had been thoroughly explained during the tour of inspection. With regard to the abattoirs, he thought the district of Alexandria had much better claims than Flemington. They were not handicapped by distance from the city, were within a few hundred yards of the railway, they had a grand canal leading to the sea, and excellent sewerage accommodation. On the banks of this canal they could take all the noxious trades and manufactures of the kind for the next 50 years. The canal terminating as it did destroyed much of its usefulness, and he hoped the Government would extend it as far as Botany-road, which would be an immense boon to the district.

The toast was drunk with much enthusiasm.

The Minister for Works responded. He said, with regard to the trip that afternoon, it had been a very useful one to him, as well as a pleasant outing, and it had also given him a fuller knowledge of the district and its progress. With regard to the tramline along Elizabeth-street, he was very much impressed with its importance. The large population which it would serve would make it a paying concern from the very outset. Of course, as they knew, there was no money at present to commence the work, but it was his intention to place a sum sufficient for the purpose on the next tramway estimates to carry out this line—at any rate, as far as Bourke-street, Waterloo. He believed the present Botany tramline by some means was not taken along the best route. However, that would not now be interfered with. They next came to Stormwater Creek. The proposed improvements in this direction would be fully considered by the Government. That brought them down to the question of Shea's Creek canal. It was the first time that he had seen the canal, and he felt proud to belong to a Ministry the head of which was responsible for the carrying out of so important a work if from no other than a sanitary point of view. Mr. Lyne, when Minister for Works in a previous Government, undertook this work. It was an heroic action, and at the time Mr. Lyne was condemned by many people for undertaking such a work, but it had since been proved that the step was a wise one. However, it required to be brought to Botany-road to be complete, and he would promise the residents that he would urge upon the Government to take in hand the work. Such a matter, however, rested entirely with the Cabinet. On the question of the abattoirs and their future home he must remain silent. He, however, would venture to say this much, that in his opinion they should be centrally situated. The banks of Shea's Creek would, however, always be the home of the manufacturer, and for such purposes the canal would prove an inestimable benefit. He was likewise favourable to the construction of the Regent-street tramline, but could only say in regard to the proposed tramline along Mitchell-road that it was a matter for reflection. Mr. O'Sullivan then touched on the work undertaken by the Government in regard to general legislation, and of its intention to continue to bring forward measures for the advancement of the welfare of the people of this colony. He resumed his seat amid applause.

The Mayor of Waterloo proposed the health of the members for the district, to which Messrs. Anderson and Dacey responded.

"Municipal Institutions" was proposed by the Minister for Works and responded to by several gentlemen.

Several other toasts were also honoured and musical selections were rendered.

PUBLIC RECREATION RESERVES.

His Excellency the Governor has approved of the appointment of the undermentioned gentlemen as trustees:—Recreation reserve at Katoomba, Mr. William Frederick Goyder (in lieu of the late Mr. F. C. Goyder); recreation reserve at Berrima, Messrs. Henry Allen, John David Armfield, Alfred Leslie Taylor, Robert Matthews; recreation reserve at Manildra, for showground, Messrs. Fraser Elmslie Churchill, Hector Angus, Edna James Allen, George Whitehouse Griffith, John Ernest Paddison, Edward Richard Pike, Philip Rubie; trustee of Katoomba, Leura, Echo, and Banksia parks at Katoomba, Mr. William Frederick Goyder (in lieu of the late Mr. F. C. Goyder).

NEWCASTLE.

AN INSANITARY AREA.

CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

A conference of representatives of the city of Newcastle and also of the Hamilton and Merewether municipal councils, convened by the Mayor of Hamilton, was held at the Hamilton Council-chambers to-night, for the purpose of taking united action in reference to an insanitary area of land locally known as the "Melville Swamps." The land is about 10 acres in extent, and owing to a subsidence caused by pitfalls it receives the drainage of the surrounding municipalities of Newcastle, Hamilton, and Merewether. The representatives present were:—City Council: Alderman Miller (Mayor), Alderman Cann, and Alderman Sharp. Hamilton Council: Alderman W. R. Alexander (Mayor), Alderman Gardiner, Alderman Stewart, and Alderman Pearce. Merewether Council: Alderman Lloyd (Mayor) and Alderman Wilson. The Mayor of Hamilton was voted to the chair.

Alderman Wilson said that the Australian Agricultural Company, which owned the land, should be called upon to fill in the pitfalls.

Alderman Lloyd said that the company should certainly be compelled to at once fill in the swamps, and what was complained of would thus be remedied to a considerable extent.

The Mayor of Newcastle moved,—"That the sanitary inspectors of Newcastle and Hamilton councils, together with Dr. Dick, Government Health Officer for the Hunter River district, be requested to examine the swamps in Melville-street and report to this conference, stating whether they are of opinion that the swamps constitute a public nuisance." He said that upon receipt of the proposed report the councils could adjudge the swamps a nuisance and then direct the Australian Agricultural Company, by notice under the Act, to remedy the evil.

Alderman Cann seconded the motion. The remedy was, he said, very simple. It only required that the Hamilton Council should declare the swamps an insanitary area, and the Board of Health would then take action.

Alderman Stewart said he endorsed the opinion of the whole of the representatives that the place was a menace to the public health of the entire district, and that immediate steps were necessary to remedy what was complained of.

The motion was carried unanimously, and the conference then adjourned.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The steamer Changsha arrived to-day from Adelaide to load a cargo of coal from various collieries for Manila and Hongkong, and the barque Louisiana sailed to-day for Honolulu with 2129 tons of Greta coal. In the intercolonial trade the steamer Audania sailed to-day for Port Pirie with 2950 tons of coal; the barque Quathlamba sailed for Napier with 720 tons; the barque Northern Chief sailed for Auckland with 390 tons; and the steamer Queen Mary left for Melbourne with 1700 tons. The clearances included:—Glaucus (s), for Melbourne, with 1800 tons; Kadina (s), for Fremantle, with 2670 tons; Era (s), for Melbourne, with 3400 tons; and Cloncurry (s), for Fremantle, via Albany, with 3085 tons.

THE LOTTERIES ACT.

In the Summons Division of the City Court yesterday Sub-inspector Hinds proceeded against Daniel Coyle and George Carruthers for having committed a breach of the Lotteries Act. It appeared from the evidence that the proprietor of a waxworks and minstrelsy show was recently fined for promising to dispose of a suite of furniture among patrons of performances by lottery, and that after his conviction he asked the audience to appoint a committee of 10 to whom he would hand the suite of furniture. The defendants were among those selected as committeemen, and the prize was subsequently drawn for in an hotel. Coyle was fined £2, and Carruthers £1, with costs.

BREACH OF THE SEAMEN'S ACT.

At the City Court yesterday William Forbes, 43, a baker, was charged with having, at Newcastle on January 16, received from one Eugrave Carlson 15s as remuneration for providing him with employment, the same not being fees authorised under the Seamen's Act. Senior-sergeant M'Vane, of the Water Police Force, prosecuted, and Mr. Read appeared for accused. A fine of £3 and costs was imposed.

A RAILWAY FATALITY.

A young man named Ethelbert Stewart, 19 years of age, employed by the Railway Department as a gatekeeper at Broadmeadow, and lately residing at Merewether, was killed on the railway line at about 9 o'clock to-night. No one appears to have witnessed the accident. The mutilated remains of the deceased were found at his post of duty by Alderman Brogden, who reported the discovery to the authorities. It was apparent from the injuries inflicted that deceased was struck by a locomotive in the upper portion of the body. The head and chest were mutilated, and the brains were protruding. The crossing at which the fatality occurred is on the Sydney line, where the main road crosses the railway line at Broadmeadow. The City Coroner will conduct an inquest to-morrow.

THE NEWCASTLE HOSPITAL.

A special meeting of the general committee of management of the Newcastle Hospital was held in the boardroom at the institution to-night for the purpose of appointing a resident medical superintendent, vice Dr. Willis, resigned. Four applications were received for the vacancy, and Dr. Gerald Brade, M.B., Ch.M., was selected by a large majority of votes. Dr. Brade graduated at the Sydney University in 1898, and for over 12 months occupied the position of resident medical officer at Little Bay Coast Hospital. The salary attached to the position is £200 with quarters.

MINERS' DELEGATE BOARD.

A special meeting of the Miners' Delegate Board was held at the Trades' Hall to-day to consider an offer made by the proprietors of the West Wallsend and Seaham Collieries to miners employed at those pits. It appears that notices were recently posted by both companies at the pit mouths intimating that with the introduction of the new weighing system as provided by the Coal Mines Regulation Act the rates of pay to miners would be adjusted, and that 2s 6½d per ton would be paid in future for all coal gotten. The companies represented this to be equivalent to the existing rates of 3s 2d per ton for large coal, with no consideration for smalls. The miners and the board were doubtful as to whether the rate offered was an equivalent, as the percentage of slack produced at the collieries in question had not been definitely ascertained. After discussion the board resolved to recommend the miners of West Wallsend and Seaham to accept the rates offered under a protest until such time as the delegate board had ascertained the equivalent of existing rates.

To-day's exports to Fremantle (W.A.) by the steamers Kadina and Cloncurry included 350 bullocks, 1500 sheep, one horse, 50 tons of hay, and 300 tons of manure, in addition to 5720 tons of coal.

The privileges in connection with the April meeting of the Newcastle Jockey Club were sold by auction yesterday for £97 10s, and those of the Newcastle Tattersall's Club meeting brought £88 10s.

The annual vestry meeting of Newcastle Pro-Cathedral was held under the presidency of the Bishop of Newcastle yesterday. The parochial council, church wardens, and sidesmen were elected, and a vote of thanks was passed to the Bishop for his successful efforts in securing Bishop Stretch to fill the vacant position of Dean of Newcastle.

An engine-driver named Thomas Edward Lewis dropped dead at Seaham Colliery last evening. The cause of his death is believed to have been heart disease.

The annual elections at the Newcastle Pro-Cathedral vestry meeting resulted as follows:—Churchwardens, Messrs. W. J. Gillam, J. D. Jones, T. Clack, W. Wood; parochial council, Messrs. E. Parnell, G. Allen, W. Newmarch, C. Hibble, L. S. Donaldson, H. W. Finch, E. Thurlow, C. E. Nicholas; auditors, Messrs. J. Hickenbotham, W. Newmarch; sidesmen, Messrs. H. Asser, B. H. Reilly, C. Crofts, C. A. Fleming, F. J. Nicholls, R. Allout.

LATE MINING.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

B. H. Block 10 mill, working 4½ days last week, treated 2091 tons of crudes, producing 320 tons of concentrates, bulking 34·26oz. silver, 65 per cent. lead, 7·18 per cent. zinc. The estimated quantity of concentrates lying on the mine's floors at the end of the week was 789 tons. The productive workings present their usual satisfactory appearance, and mill requirements are well regulated. Assays of the material broken and dressed for the week averaged 15·6oz. silver, 13·7 per cent. lead, 19·8 per cent. zinc. There was no change in exploratory work during the week.

KALGOORLIE, Wednesday.

The return of the Great Boulder Proprietary for the past month was as follows:—Milled 3548 tons of ore, yielding 3646oz. of gold; cyanided 6406 tons of tailings for 3789oz. Total gold output, 7435oz.

At the Lake View Consols the third furnace of the sulphide plant has been fixed, and will begin ore roasting immediately. The oxidised slimes plant is working assiduously, while at the main shaft a parcel of sulpho-telluride ore is being bagged for shipment to the smelters.

The oxidised mill of the Associated Gold Mines will probably start running on May 1. Meanwhile a gang of newly engaged miners is employed stoping on the Australia East lode to furnish the plant with crushing material.

Mr. Philip Mennell, of the "British Australasian," accompanied by Mr. A. Montgomery, late Government Geologist of Tasmania, is busily engaged inquiring into the commercial results of the various sulphide processes now in use on this field. Both express the opinion that the bogie, the so-called sulphide problem, has been worked for all it is worth by an interested section of speculators.

THE RANDWICK TRAM FARES.

LARGE PUBLIC MEETING IN PROTEST.

A great many of the residents of Randwick and Coogee are dissatisfied with the new arrangement of the tram sections to Randwick, and the outcome of it was the holding of a public meeting, which was largely attended, last night in the local Town Hall. The Mayor (Alderman Theo. Powell) presided, and there were a number of aldermen and others on the platform.

The chairman having explained the objects of the meeting and given his views on the question, Alderman Henry Willis moved,—"That this meeting of residents of the borough of Randwick hereby expresses disappointment at the Railway Commissioners not having complied with the request of the council that 2d be the tram fare from Randwick to Sydney, and it requests that the matter be reconsidered, and suggests that the old stopping place (Short-street, Randwick) be the end of the second section from Sydney." The mover pointed out that to travel now from Kensington to Alison-road cost 2d and vice versa, as against the old 1d section.

Alderman George Gale seconded the resolution, and complained strongly of the high fares charged to Randwick in comparison with other suburbs, the result being that there were more empty houses in the borough than in any similar municipality. The 3d fare to Randwick, as against 2d to Bondi Junction and Enmore, was keeping the district back, and the tax should no longer be saddled on Randwick. He trusted that the deputation which would be appointed would fill the Commissioners' room, and so impress them with their earnestness in the matter. (Hear, hear.) He referred to the uncommercial way in which the Waverley-Randwick extension tram was run from Waverley to Bondi Junction, when, four journeys out of six, it was either chasing the Waverley tram or vice versa. He thought it could be run to suit the Randwick people better.

Mr. C. L. Alexander pointed out that the second section to Randwick ended in an uninhabited and lonely area. He could prove by the Commissioners' own statistics that the line was one of the best paying ones of the system, and one of the cheapest to maintain. He alluded also to the vagaries of the extension tram to Waverley.

Messrs. James O'Donnell and William Larmour supported the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. A. I. Perry moved,—"That the Railway Commissioners be requested to initiate a tramway season-ticket system." He could not see why this matter should be deferred any longer, and failed to see that the difficulties in the way were great. If the colour of the season ticket were made the same as the distinguishing colour on the engine motor—for instance, green to Randwick—he thought such would answer. He suggested, however, that the council arrange a joint and representative deputation of the interested municipal councils to wait on the Commissioners. (Hear, hear.)

Alderman S. R. Kennedy seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. P. Hogan moved, Mr. P. R. Larkin seconded, and it was carried,—"That Mr. D. Storey, M.L.A., the Mayor and Aldermen, Messrs. P. R. Larkin, P. Hogan, J. A. I. Perry, James Robertson, C. L. Alexander, and other gentlemen be requested to present the foregoing resolutions to the Commissioners for Railways."

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

The monthly meeting of the committee of this association was held yesterday afternoon at the offices, 103 and 104 Queen Victoria Markets, Sydney. Alderman John Wheeler (Petersham) presided, and there were also present—Aldermen J. F. Smith (Newtown), J. G. Griffin (Hurstville), T. J. West (Paddington), W. G. Judd (Rockdale), A. M. Milne (Balmain), Mr. J. A. I. Perry (Randwick), and Mr. F. A. Morgan (secretary).

Correspondence was received from different councils and dealt with as follows:—From Cudal, asking whether the council will be liable if it raises the footpath in front of certain property where there is a natural depression in the ground. The committee decided that if permanent levels had not been adopted, they must have them adopted, but if only carrying out original level there was no need to re-advertise. From Condobolin, asking whether the returning officer was right in refusing to allow persons to vote who tendered rates upon polling day. The returning officer was justified, he having no authority to collect the rates, but the council clerk, who was poll clerk, should have taken them, and then allowed ratepayer to vote. From Young, asking for advice as to a building which encroaches upon one of the streets of the municipality. The committee thought that the council could not interfere with the building, as owner can build up to street. From Plattsburg, asking whether the council can legally recover arrears of rates which were struck out of the ratebook owing to council's inability to recover from a previous tenant. Reply: No right to strike out the legal rate, and the committee was of opinion that the rate should not have been struck out, and that it having been compromised the council had better let the matter stand. From Vaucluse, asking that a bylaw may be framed to enable councils to compel householders to supply a suitable garbage bin for each dwelling. The committee considered the council had no power to frame such a bylaw, and referred the council to the Board of Health. From Casino, asking that a draft of proposed Amending Municipalities Act may be sent to each council before being submitted to Parliament. This was looked on as impracticable, and a breach of Parliamentary etiquette to publish. From Burwood, asking the committee to defray the cost of endeavouring to obtain a new trial in the case Brierley v. Borough of Burwood, in which damages were obtained for trespass. The committee regretted its inability to comply with the request under circumstances, as the verdict did not affect the law as previously laid down. From West Maitland, asking for council's opinion as to whether East Maitland can recover rates upon an annexed area for the purpose of handing same over to West Maitland in pursuance of an agreement for the erection of floodgates. Referred to association's solicitor for opinion. From Ulladulla, asking whether a returning officer can legally accept fees for presiding at an election, he having resigned as an alderman before polling day. The committee thought that under the circumstances the returning officer could claim the usual fee.

It was decided to get legal opinion in reply to the Willoughby Council's queries as to whether the council had power to prevent the importation of stable manures and other refuse into the borough, and also to prevent nightsoil being carried through the municipality.

Mr. Griffin moved,—"That, in the opinion of this committee, it is desirable that the control of all vehicular traffic in the city and suburban municipalities of Sydney should be placed under the police, and that a deputation from the association wait upon the Hon. the Premier to request him to introduce a bill for the next session of Parliament to give effect to such recommendation."

The chairman ruled the motion out of order on the ground that several councils were opposed to the principle involved.

LATE SPORTING.

NEWCASTLE JOCKEY CLUB.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The weights for the different events to be decided at the April meeting of the Newcastle Jockey Club, to be held on Saturday next, were declared to-day as under:—

The Opening Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Expectation II., 9st 5lb; Hector, 8st 10lb; Typhoon, 8st 7lb; Cantatrice, 8st 7lb; Torment, 8st 7lb; First Consul, 7st 12lb; Parallel, 7st 10lb; Admonition, 7st 10lb; Nightfall, 7st 5lb; Bonny Boy, 7st 5lb; Lacoena, 7st 5lb; Swagman, 7st 5lb; Winnie, 7st 5lb; Dudu, 7st 5lb; Bryda, 6st 12lb.

The Visitors' Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Wat Tyler, 10st 12lb; Princess Arena, 10st; Rejoice, 9st 7lb; Marshall, 9st; Battlefield, 9st; Cronie, 9st; Alannah, 9st; Parallel, 9st; Rowdy, 9st; Noble, 8st 12lb; Redeemed, 8st 5lb; Harvest Home, 8st 5lb; San Marco, 8st; Swandor, 8st; Maturity, 8st; Manilla, 8st; Tragedian, 8st; Misfortune, 8st; Profuse, 8st; Andura, 8st; The Yankee Girl, 8st; Purity, 8st; Defender, 8st; Cracker, 8st.

The Grand Stand Handicap, 1 mile.—Cabin Boy, 10st; Bombshell, 9st; Jack Tar, 8st 10lb; Hector, 8st 4lb; Moama, 8st 2lb; Typhoon, 7st 10lb; Cantatrice, 7st 10lb; First Consul, 7st 6lb; Violet and Gold, 7st 6lb; Jeannette, 7st 6lb; After Ten, 7st 6lb; Wingello, 7st; Mabel, 6st 9lb; Patrie, 6st 9lb; The Snail, 6st 9lb; Ewen Dhu, 6st 7lb.

The Park Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Alannah, 9st 5lb; Noble, 8st 3lb; Lady Baird, 9st 3lb; Happy Tom, 9st; Lady Darling, 9st; Prince Consort, 8st 8lb; Harvest Home, 8st 8lb; Insolence, 8st 8lb; Arianna, 8st 8lb; The Spider, 8st 8lb; The Guardsman, 8st 4lb; Swandor, 8st 4lb; Misfortune, 8st 4lb; War Cry, 7st 7lb.

The Stewards' Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Surprise, 10st 9lb; Wat Tyler, 10st 5lb; Bombshell, 10st; Hector, 9st 4lb; Fir-man, 9st; Rejoice, 9st; Torment, 9st; Hander II., 8st 9lb; Parallel, 8st 9lb; Rowdy, 8st 9lb; Jeannette, 8st 9lb; Nightfall, 7st 12lb; Bonnie Boy, 7st 12lb; Mabel, 7st 12lb; Redeemed, 7st 12lb; Harriett, 7st 7lb; Rickshaw, 7st 7lb; Defender, 7st 7lb.

NEWCASTLE TATTERSALL'S CLUB.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

Appended are the handicaps for the April reunion of Newcastle Tattersall's Club, to take place on Monday next:—

The Shorts Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Expectation II., 9st 5lb; Cantatrice, 8st 7lb; Princess Arena, 8st 7lb; Torment, 8st 7lb; First Consul, 7st 12lb; Parallel, 7st 10lb; Admonition, 7st 10lb; Alannah, 7st 10lb; Nightfall, 7st 5lb; Winnie, 7st 5lb; Dudu, 7st 5lb; Bryda, 6st 12lb; Defender, 6st 7lb.

The Flying Welter, 6 furlongs.—Wat Tyler, 10st 5lb; Rejoice, 9st; Parallel, 8st 9lb; Rowdy, 8st 9lb; Alannah, 8st 9lb; Cronie, 8st 9lb; Lacoena, 8st 7lb; Noble, 8st 7lb; Cheeky, 7st 12lb; Harvest Home, 7st 12lb; Redeemed, 7st 12lb; Maturity, 7st 7lb; Manila, 7st 7lb; San Marco, 7st 7lb; Andora, 7st 7lb; Profuse, 7st 7lb; Trilby, 7st 7lb; Cracker, 7st 7lb; Purity, 7st 7lb.

The April Handicap, 1 mile.—Cabin Boy, 10st; Bombshell, 9st; Jack Tar, 8st 10lb; Hector, 8st 4lb; Moama, 8st 2lb; Typhoon, 7st 10lb; Cantatrice, 7st 10lb; First Consul, 7st 6lb; Violet and Gold, 7st 6lb; After Ten, 7st 6lb; Wingello, 7st; Marshall, 7st; Nightfall, 6st 12lb; Bonnie Boy, 6st 12lb; Mabel, 6st 9lb; Patrie, 6st 9lb; The Snail, 6st 9lb; The Guardsman, 6st 7lb; Ewen Dhu, 6st 7lb.

The Park Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Noble, 9st 5lb; Lady Baird, 9st 5lb; Happy Tom, 9st 2lb; Lady Darling, 9st 2lb; Dudu, 9st; Harvest Home, 8st 10lb; Prince Consort, 8st 10lb; Insolence, 8st 10lb; Onex, 8st 10lb; Cheeky, 8st 10lb; The Spider, 8st 8lb; Maturity, 8st 4lb; Tragedian, 8st 4lb; Defender, 8st 4lb; Lyddite, 7st 7lb.

The Welter Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Surprise, 12st 2lb; Expectation II., 11st; Wat Tyler, 10st 12lb; Bombshell, 10st 7lb; Rejoice, 9st 7lb; Hander II., 9st 2lb; Parallel, 9st 2lb; Rowdy, 9st 2lb; After Ten, 9st 2lb; Bonnie Boy, 8st 4lb; Mabel, 8st 4lb; Redeemed, 8st 4lb; The Snail, 8st 4lb; Harriett, 8st; Arianna, 8st; Rickshaw, 8st; Profuse, 8st; Misfortune, 8st.

The Rev. William Morris, rector of Christ Church, Bundaberg, Queensland, who was in his 70th year, died at the residence of his daughter, Mon Repos, Strathfield, on the 25th instant. The reverend gentleman had been an active and earnest worker in the church, and had endeared himself to his many parishioners.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

SPOHR'S "LAST JUDGMENT."

Spohr's "Last Judgment" is not now frequently performed in public, and the choice of the work by the Philharmonic Society for the opening of their season thus gave promise of some show of novelty. In the result this hardly proved the case, for the simple reason that what may be termed the "musical plums" of the oratorio have become as familiar as household words in the form of anthems for church and cathedral choirs. The unknown numbers were just those which did not readily appeal to the listener, so that as a whole the "Last Judgment," though it possesses at least one chorus which reaches towards the sublime, and several marked by ravishing melody must be accounted heavy and, as Shakespeare puts it, "caviare to the general." The work was originally produced at Dusseldorf as long ago as 1826, and two other sacred compositions, "Calvary" and "The Fall of Babylon," still serve to remind the world that the immortal violinist did something more than write for the instrument he played so divinely.

The Philharmonic Society's rendering of "The Last Judgment" at the Town Hall last night was impressive. The work includes two important instrumental pieces, of which the symphony at the beginning of the second part, though the longer, is by far the less interesting at a first hearing. In fact, the symphony may properly be described as heavy. The overture, on the other hand, is marked by dignity of effect, a quality which the orchestra, ably led by M. Staell, did not fail to emphasise under Signor Hazon's direction. The chief musical feature was one by which the smooth flow of the theme for strings was regularly interrupted by dramatic entries for brass and kettledrums. The opening chorus, "Praise His Awful Name," showed at once the thorough way in which the singers had studied their work, for not only was an impression of awe conveyed to the audience, but the conductor secured with precision the contrasted effects between those fortissimo outbursts which were followed at once by a softly given chord. The finest choral singing, however, was in "Great and Wonderful," in which the splendid unisonal opening was given with weight and significance, whilst throughout the utmost confidence was shown. Here, as elsewhere in the work, the solo quartet joined in harmoniously, and there were most curious pianissimo interjections of "Hallelujah" preceding the massive bass lead introducing the fugal portion that brought the whole to a close. "Destroyed is Babylon," an immensely difficult chorus in which the orchestra assists in the tone-picture of tumult and affright, was also finely given; though the composer here comes into comparison to his own disadvantage with the colossal effects of Handel in "Israel in Egypt," and other popular as well as great and classic works.

In the allotment of the solo numbers Spohr gives prominence to the tenor and soprano, though even then there are no great airs to lighten the oratorio. Miss Nellie Cooke, who rendered the soprano music, was found not to possess the purity of attack required in oratorio, and her habit of anticipating her high notes detracted from the interest her fine voice would otherwise undoubtedly have inspired. Miss Cooke sang the celebrated melody (with chorus), "All Glory to the Lamb;" but her best effort was in the duet with the tenor, "Forsake Me Not," in which she contributed to a sympathetic interpretation. Mr. Arthur Paris's distinct enunciation and feeling for the value of the words proved of great service in the tenor music, the moderate range of which suited the voice. The artist sang with fine expression both the "Holy, Holy, Holy," with its exquisite harmonies for unaccompanied chorus, and the "Blessing, Honour" (with chorus), a famous number, the melody of which is full of enchantment. Mr. Reginald Goond sang the bass music with care. Miss Eva Mylott joined the other soloists in the important quartettes with advantage to the ensemble. "Blessed are the Departed," with its touching choral part, was one of these pieces in which the soloists were concerned. The second part of the programme consisted of selections from the "Hymn of Praise." Signor Hazon conducted the orchestra in the charming second movement of Mendelssohn's Symphony, which was delightfully rendered; and "All men," and the other choruses which followed were rendered with the utmost animation and with a finely sonorous volume of harmonious tone. The duet and chorus, "I Waited for the Lord," went admirably, with Miss Cooke and Miss Mylott as soloists; but for the reason already noted the soprano solo, "Praise Thou the Lord," with semi-chorus, missed its customary effect.

Owing to the wet weather, last night's attendance was unfortunately not so large as usual. It is probable, however, that the performance of Handel's "Israel in Egypt," with its colossal double choruses and majestic ensembles, at the next concert, will prove one of the popular functions of the season. For this occasion the Philharmonic Society will receive extra voices in all sections of the choir.

WELCOME TO THE REV. F. COLWELL.

Last Tuesday evening at the Wesley Church, Coippendale, a social was tendered by the members of the church as a welcome to the Rev. F. Colwell, who takes the place of the Rev. P. J. Stephen in the circuit.

The following representatives of the different branches of the Church extended a hearty welcome to their new minister:—Mr. J. C. Taylor, the trust; Mr. C. E. Russell, the Sunday School; Mr. J. Taylor, the Christian Endeavour; Mr. Geo. Yates, the congregation; Mr. Hinds, the Band of Hope; Mr. Rumsey, the open-air workers; and Mr. E. Lane, the choir. Mr. Colwell thanked the speakers for their kind expressions of welcome, and said he was fully conscious of the value of each branch. During the evening musical items were given, the contributors being the choir, Messrs. E. Lane and H. Cinchen, Mr. Foster, Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Foster. A selection from the gramophone manipulated by Mr. Geo. Beyer was rendered clearly and distinctly.

VESTRY MEETINGS.

Craigie.—Churchwardens: Messrs. A. M. Wright, A. A. Cummins, H. A. Watson.

Crookwell, St. Bartholomew's.—People's wardens, Messrs. S. L. Cox and W. Carey; minister's warden, Mr. J. Tozer; sidesmen, Messrs. F. Brew, R. Howland, J. Walter.

Dubbo: Trustees' warden, C. U. Fitzgerald; people's, G. H. Taylor; clergyman's, J. Heane; parochial council, A. Moneypenny, J. Heane, junior, C. Soane, J. Samuels, T. Cameron, J. Setton, T. Border, A. Johnson, W. Thomas.

Moree:—Vicar's warden, A. A. Gleanie; people's, Morgan, Ralph, Kay, Dorrington, Braine; parochial council, Gleanie, Kay, Morgan, Dorrington, Midgley, Pocock, Stone.

Scone, St. Luke's.—Minister's warden, Mr. N. F. Asser; people's warden, Messrs. Stafford and J. H. Doyle; parochial council, Messrs. R. H. Brown, C. W. Satchell, T. Cook, H. H. E. Upton, A. Smith, E. Sherwood, J. H. Dalton, and A. Skipworth.

St. John's Bishopthorpe, Glebe Point.—Churchwardens: Clergyman's, Dr. G. E. Ruddie; people's, ex-Judge W. H. Wilkinson, W. T. Uther; parochial nominators, Dr. Rundle, ex-Judge W. H. Wilkinson, Colonel Taunton, Messrs. W. T. Uther, H. Child; sidesmen, Messrs. Dr. Ashwell, W. D. Banks, S. B. Banfield, H. Child, J. J. Collins, J. Dive, Piercy Ethell, J. P. Henning, R. Logan, Colonel Taunton, Alderman Tate, Cecil Way, A. Wetton; auditors, Messrs. P. Donaldson, T. W. C. Ward.

St. John's Parish, Shoalhaven.—Messrs. J. T. Hall (rector's), F. Gurney and Dr. R. B. Stoney (people's) were elected churchwardens for the ensuing year. Messrs. T. Shepherd, T. Marriott, Z. G. Bice, C. J. B. Watson, F. W. Flatt, J. W. Mills, G. Shaw, J. G. Lambert, Dr. King, J. Fox, A. R. Woodhill, and M. Marcus were elected sidesmen.

St. John's, Darlinghurst.—Churchwardens, Wilfrid L. Docker and G. W. F. Addison as people's wardens, James Scroggie minister's warden; parochial council, Messrs. C. S. Allen, A. A. C. Bastian, A. H. Brown, C. C. Capper, T. Davis, C. Delohery, C. F. Farran, W. R. Logan, and W. G. Whiting; parochial nominators, Messrs. G. W. F. Addison, C. W. Darley, W. L. Docker, J. Scroggie, and C. B. Stephen; sidesmen, M. C. Cowlishaw, C. Delohery, C. C. Capper, A. H. Brown, A. A. C. Bastian, W. R. Logan, C. S. Allen, J. Hole, E. G. Wilson, W. Lane, A. J. Higgs, T. Davis, W. G. Whiting, C. F. Farran, E. L. Rutledge, C. W. Darley, Dr. R. Read, M. D'Arcy Irvine, J. Stening; auditor, A. H. Brown.

St. Clements, Mosman.—Mr. J. Barre Johnston, trustee's warden; Mr. W. H. Horning, people's warden; Mr. A. G. Y. Shaw, clergyman's warden; parochial council, Messrs. Alcock, Allman, G. E. Brown, Davey, Fox, Gall, Goulding, Laws, Martin, Smith. The rector nominated Messrs. W. A. Hutchinson, W. F. Wilson, and A. Sedgley as his representatives on the parochial council. Messrs. J. V. Bayly and C. B. Ward were elected as auditors.

St. Luke's Church, Burwood and Concord.—Trustees' warden, Alfred Lewellyn Bray; people's warden, William Coles; rector's warden, John Parry. St. Peter's Mission Church.—People's wardens, John Charles Lovell, Charles Thomas Kennett; rector's warden, Frederick Lethbridge King. St. Mary's Mission Church, Mortlake.—People's wardens, William Cox, George Eliot Warburton; rector's warden, Bertram Haworth Peacock. Parochial nominators: Messrs. A. L. Bray, W. Coles, G. E. Warburton, F. L. King, W. S. Mayer.

St. Michael's, Flinders-street.—Clergyman's warden, Mr. H. W. Sawell; people's wardens, Messrs. J. W. Allpass and F. M. Aldritt, J.P.; sidesmen, Messrs. F. J. Ironside, W. South, H. Evers, A. Carlisle, H. Dearin, R. Saywell; parochial nominators, Messrs. Sawell, Ironside, Evers, Carlisle, and South; auditors, Messrs. Carlisle and Franklin.

Wallerawang, St. John's.—Wardens, Messrs. J. W. Barton and A. Spencer; minister's warden, Mr. A. Liels; sidesmen, Messrs. John Payne, Winchester, Reed, J. Curtis, and Woolley.

YACHTING.

THE AMERICA CUP.

The Columbia Yacht Club, of Chicago, has invited Sir Thomas Lipton to be one of the judges at its July regatta. Sir Thomas Lipton has cabled to "The New York Journal" confirming the report that he will again challenge for the America Cup in 1901. His yacht will probably be built by a Clyde firm. It will have a longer waterline than the Shamrock, and less aluminium will be employed in its construction.

THE CHURCH RESCUE HOME.

DEDICATION BY THE ARCHBISHOP.

For some 15 years the Church Rescue Home conducted under the auspices of the Church of England Temperance Society has been doing good work in the reclamation of the intemperate and fallen. The ceremony of dedicating a temporary chapel at the Home, Glebe Point, was solemnised yesterday afternoon by the Archbishop of Sydney. The day was unpropitious, and reference was made to that fact during the proceedings; but the addresses delivered on the occasion rang with the sound of a desire to help raise the fallen. Among those present, in addition to the Archbishop, were the Ven. Archdeacon Langley, Rev. Dr. Manning (hon. sec.), Revs. S. S. Tovey, H. T. Holliday, Vindin, C. C. Godden, M. Archdall, and R. Griffiths (Archbishop's chaplain), ex-Judge Wilkinson, Mr. W. E. Toose, Mr. J. A. Hogue, M.L.A., Mr. Arthur Massey (who acted as organist), and a large number of lady members of the committee of management.

Apologies were received from the Rev. F. B. Boyce, Miss Old, and Mr. C. B. Brownrigg, while the Archbishop apologised for the absence of Miss Snowdon Smith and also for the Very Rev. Dean Cowper.

The Rev. Dr. Manning said the movement was one with which they must feel the deepest sympathy. The Home was established about 15 years ago. For a short period it was located in Forbes-street; then it removed to Crown-street, and after having been there for two or three years it was again removed to Paddington. The term of the lease at the last-named place having expired it was necessary to move, and they had great difficulty in finding a place, until at last the property of which they were now possessed came into the market, and they purchased it for £2000. A friend advanced the money for them, and they now had the mortgage to redeem. Some of the money had already been paid. When they took possession they found that the place required rather extensive repairs and alterations to fit it for the purpose it was designed to fill in the future, and accordingly a contract was let for £336 10s. Then it was found necessary to erect a drying-room at a cost of £15, and other incidental expenses brought the expenditure to another £10, so that the total expenditure came to £331 10s. Part of the money had already been paid in accordance with the agreement made, and the rest would be paid off by instalments. Altogether there was a debit balance of £103 10s 3d. The want of money was severely felt, but they had before met with difficulties, and with God's help they had been able to overcome them. They would overcome the present difficulties with the same assistance they had done others. Their friends had given to the patriotic funds, the plague had caused some to feel the want of money, and it was now a very difficult matter to get in subscriptions, but they were sure that God would help them, as He had hitherto done. If he himself could only evoke a large amount of enthusiasm, if he could induce their friends to support the institution he would soon be able to report that they had overcome their difficulties. In the meantime he wished all those present to tell their friends of the needs of the Home, and to enlist their sympathies on its behalf. He was sure that their wants would be met, but he wished all to help.

The Archbishop then delivered a short address, in which he said he had complied with the request to declare the Home open, and at a later period of the service he would dedicate the apartment upstairs, which was to serve as a temporary chapel. Dr. Manning, in speaking of the difficulties with which they were met, had spoken hopefully of the help of God, which was sure to be vouchsafed to them. They must all remember that they would meet with difficulties, but they would also receive help from God, who would not allow His service to fail.

Devotional exercises were then entered upon, after which the clergy and company repaired to the temporary chapel, where Archdeacon Langley read the collect for the day, and the Archbishop offered the dedicatory prayer. Returning to the lower room,

The Archbishop delivered another short address, in which he said that unfortunately so long as sin abounded in the world there would be need for homes such as this. He would be very glad if there were no necessity for such homes, but as there was sin in the world it was necessary that means should be taken to assist in the reclamation of those who had fallen through sin. He bespoke the intercession of all for the welfare of the institution, and hoped that the enthusiasm of which Dr. Manning had spoken would be roused in its behalf, so that the Home could go on with the good work which it was carrying out. The Church ought to be in the van of good works such as this.

The Ven. Archdeacon Langley and Mr. J. A. Hogue, M.L.A., also delivered addresses, and the proceedings closed.

In the Home there are about thirty rooms, with accommodation for nearly one hundred inmates, and it was mentioned during the proceedings that any inmates who had left the home during the progress of the plague were not allowed to return to it, so that instead of having 36 inmates, as they had a few weeks ago, there were only 29. The removal from Paddington to Glebe Point had also been the cause of the loss of some of their connection, but they hoped to recover it.

LIBERTY PLAINS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The eighth annual chrysanthemum show in connection with the Liberty Plains Horticultural Society was opened in the Rookwood Town Hall on Wednesday by Mr. E. Evans. The display was by far the finest seen in connection with the society, and gave evidence of the progressive character of the society. The chrysanthemums were a very fine lot, and Mr. R. W. Harper, of Parramatta, showed a non-competitive bloom of Madame Carnot, which good judges declared was the finest bloom they had ever seen staged. It was a perfect globe, 8 inches across and 8 inches in depth. The roses were also very fine, and in this section Mr. Vesey, of the Royal Nurseries, Homebush, showed a fine collection of blooms, including white Maman Cochet, climbing Belle Siebrecht, Beryl, La Innocence, and Killarney, all new varieties. The display of vegetables was also the best yet staged under the auspices of the society. Following is the prize-list:—

Twelve chrysanthemums: R. W. Harper, 1; R. B. Arthur, 2; T. Walsh, h.c. Six chrysanthemums: R. W. Harper, 1; F. Mumford, 2; D. Rumble, h.c.; H. W. Vincent, v.h.c. Six white chrysanthemums: F. Mumford, 1; D. Rumble, 2; R. B. Arthur, v.h.c.; T. Walsh, h.c. Six yellow chrysanthemums: F. Mumford, 1; G. Russell, 2; R. B. Arthur, h.c. Three dark chrysanthemums: F. Walsh, 1; G. Russell, 2; H. W. Vincent, h.c. Six Australian-raised seedling chrysanthemums: R. W. Harper, 1; D. Rumble, 2; G. Weir, v.h.c.; R. B. Arthur, h.c. Three Chinese incurved chrysanthemums: R. B. Arthur, 1; L. Evans, 2. Three Japanese chrysanthemums, one variety: R. W. Harper, 1; F. Mumford, 2; G. Weir, v.h.c.; Three anemone chrysanthemums: E. Evans, 1; R. B. Arthur, 2. Typical collection of chrysanthemums: E. Evans, 1; R. B. Arthur, 2. Champion Japanese chrysanthemum: H. W. Vincent (G. J. Wallace), 1. Champion chrysanthemum, Chinese: C. Collis (Lord Wolseley), 1. Three pot-grown chrysanthemums: H. W. Vincent and D. Rumble, equal, 1. One pot-grown chrysanthemum: D. Rumble, 1; G. Weir, 2. Chrysanthemum in 8in. pot, one bloom: J. Carter, 1; D. Rumble, 2. One chrysanthemum, grown in 10in. pot: Ivy Rumble, 1; H. W. Vincent, 2. One chrysanthemum, in 12in. pot, grown by juveniles, 14 years of age: Raymond Rumble, 1; Rupert Rumble, 2. Six chrysanthemums, distinct varieties: H. W. Vincent, 1; C. Guyott, 2; G. Russell, h.c.; G. Weir, h.c.; T. Walsh, h.c.

Twelve roses: E. A. Bloomfield, 1; J. F. Burrows, 2. Six roses, distinct: R. Bambury, 1; F. B. Swete, 2; H. J. Treble, h.c. Six roses, two varieties: F. B. Swete, 1; J. F. Burrows, 2. Six light roses: J. F. Burrows, 2. Three roses, distinct: J. B. Kearney, 1; D. Rumble, 2; H. Bent, h.c. Champion rose: F. A. Bloomfield (Kaiserin Augusta Victoria), 1.

Cut Flowers.—Six varieties: C. Guyott, 1; Mrs. Arthur, 2. Six Phlox drummondi, distinct: E. A. Bloomfield, 1; C. Butt, 2. Twelve carnations, distinct: H. Bent, 1. Twelve marguerite carnations, distinct: Frank Corbett, 1. Six bouvardias: E. A. Bloomfield, 1; W. G. Thomas, 2. Six trusses roses: C. Guyott, 1. Three cactus dahlias: C. Guyott, 1. Three foliage plants: W. G. Thomas, 1; Frank Corbett, 2. One specimen plant: W. G. Thomas, 1; Mrs. Arthur, 2. One palm: E. Evans, 1; H. Bent, 2. One breast spray: Mrs. E. Evans, 1; Mrs. Vesey, 2; Mrs. Dawes, h.c. Three buttonhole bouquets: Mrs. Vesey, 1; Mrs. Bambury, 2; Mrs. Vincent, h.c. Basket of flowers: Mrs. Vesey, 1; Mrs. Evans, 2; Mrs. Dawes, h.c. Arranged epergne: Mrs. Vesey, 1; Mrs. Evans, 2; Mrs. Vincent, h.c. Hat trimmed with flowers: Mrs. Bambury, 1; Mrs. Vesey, 2; Mrs. Dawes, h.c. Arranged bowl of chrysanthemums: Mrs. Vesey, 1; Mrs. Evans, 2.

Best collection of vegetables: D. Rumble, 1; A. Oberman, 2; E. J. Cater, h.c. Six varieties of vegetables, open to exhibitors who had never won a prize: H. Bent, 1. Potatoes: D. Rumble, 1. French beans: A. Oberman, 1; D. Rumble, 2; H. W. Vincent, h.c. Peas: A. Oberman, 1; H. W. Vincent, 2. Carrots: D. Rumble, 1; E. J. Cater, 2. Parsnips: D. Rumble, 1; A. Oberman, 2. Turnips: D. Rumble, 1. Beetroot: A. Oberman, 1; D. Rumble and E. J. Cater equal, 2. Lettuce: A. Oberman, 1; D. Rumble, 2. Cabbage: E. J. Cater, 1. Radishes: D. Rumble, 1.

COLONEL BADEN-POWELL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Kindly allow me through the medium of your paper to propose that we the people of New South Wales join together and present that genuine high-minded general, who has done more than anyone else to uphold British supremacy and prestige in South Africa, with some suitable token of our deepest and well-earned gratitude for the noble work he has and is performing.

I am sure that a gift from us would be very highly esteemed, coming as it does from the home of our gallant countrymen who are striving to rescue him from his perilous but very honourable position. Cape Colony has set us the example, and there is no reason why New South Wales should not be in the foremost front to recognise his splendid behaviour. Everyone will agree with me when I say that no general in the British Army deserves more praise than Colonel-Baden Powell. It is but due that his undying services should be noted and suitably rewarded.

I am, &c.,
April 23. GORDON M'KINNON.

AN AUSTRALIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—There can be no question but that such a society would be of great value, and I am glad to see that attention is being drawn to the necessity of taking some action to organise it. Archdeacon Gunther repeatedly drew attention to the need some years ago, both in Parramatta and Sydney, and drew special attention to the work done in England, to the Oxford Historical and Architectural Society, and the Historical Society of Victoria. There are many such societies in existence, and no doubt many persons in the colony who would be glad to assist Mr. Stack and others in establishing an Australian society.

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AMUSEMENTS.

THE CIVIC CONCERTS.

The City Organist opened yesterday afternoon's concert at the Town Hall with the fourth of Mendelssohn's six organ sonatas, and thus gave his programme a classic basis. Three pieces of a somewhat similar character were performed. Lemaigre's "Prayer in G flat," in which the vox humana expressed a tenderly devotional theme, supported by the clarionet and other stops was bracketed with Callaerts' "Cantilene in E flat," and a little later M. Wiegand rendered a third charming piece of the same religious, meditative school—Renaud de Vilbac's "Benediction Nuptiale in D flat." Miss Julia Davies, Miss Lily Percival, and Mr. Giorgio Majeroni were the vocalists. The last named, well known as an actor, displayed a baritone voice of good quality and musical taste in Frances Allitsen's "Come not when I am dead." Mr. N. Gehde was the accompanist.

THEATRE ROYAL MATINEE.

As already notified, Mr. Brough announces a matinee of "The Manoeuvres of Jane" for to-day.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

(Continued from page 6.)

Captain Wyllie reports that the steamer Tambo left Hobart at 11.5 p.m. on the 21st, passed Gabo Island on the 23rd, arriving in Sydney at 6 a.m. on the 25th. Experienced moderate weather and N.E. winds and head sea to Gabo, then moderate variable winds and rain to arrival.

THE UNION LINE.

The Wanaka loads at Timaru, Oamaru, and Bluff, leaving the latter port on Tuesday next for Sydney.

The Oonah arrived at Hobart yesterday, and leaves for Sydney to-morrow evening.

The Waikare left Wellington last night for Sydney.

LAUNCH OF A BRITISH-INDIA STEAMER.

On the 17th ultimo there was launched by Sir Raylton Dixon and Co., Limited, Middlesbrough, a cargo steamer, built to the order of the British-India Steam Navigation Company. Built to Lloyd's highest class, three-deck rule, the principal dimensions being:—Length, 426ft. 6in. by 50ft. 9in. beam by 32ft., and has a deadweight carrying capacity of about 8000 tons on a light draught of water. The vessel will be fitted up for a Board of Trade passenger certificate, and lighted throughout with electric light. Triple-expansion engines will be fitted by Messrs. T. Richardson and Sons, Limited, Hartlepool, having boilers fitted with Howden's system of forced draught.

VOYAGE OF THE R.M.S. ORTONA.

The R.M.S. Ortona, due to-morrow, left London on March 16 at 1.40 p.m., Plymouth on the 17th at 5.30 p.m., arriving at Gibraltar on the 21st at 6 a.m., and sailed the same day at 11.30 a.m., arriving at Marseilles on the 23rd at noon; sailed at 5.30 p.m., and arrived at Naples on the 25th at 6.40 a.m. Received the mails, 916 bags, and sailed on the 26th at 10.20 a.m. To Port Said experienced fine weather, arriving on the 29th at 1.55 p.m. Coaled ship, and entered the Canal at 6 p.m., arriving at Suez on the 30th at 1.40 p.m., leaving again the same day at 2.50 p.m. To Colombo experienced moderate N.E. monsoon, arriving on April 9 at 4.21 a.m.; landed mails, and received 630 tons tea, &c., for Australian ports. Thence to Albany experienced strong S.E. trades. Passed Cape Leeuwin on the 18th at 1 a.m., arriving at 1.25 p.m. on the 19th, leaving again the same day at 9.50 p.m. Experienced N. winds and thick, rainy weather to Adelaide, arriving on the 23rd at 6 a.m.

SOME ATLANTIC VOYAGES.

In the records which were made up lately, says an English paper, the first place was earned by the Lucania and the Campania, these being the only two steamers which made their outward and inward passages under six days. The quickest time of the Lucania on an outward run was in July, when the passage occupied 5 days 17 hours and 50 minutes. In August she crossed from New York to Queenstown in 5 days 17 hours and 58 minutes. The Campania in August made an outward passage in 5 days 18 hours and 10 minutes; while in September she made the run home to Queenstown in 5 days 18 hours and 30 minutes. The longest time taken in delivering the outward mails was by the Friedrich Der Grosse, which, leaving Southampton on February 5, occupied 13 days 4 hours and 50 minutes in reaching New York. In December the Southwark took 10 days 22 hours and 50 minutes in making the passage from New York to Southampton, this being the longest time occupied in a homeward run with the mails.

REMOVALS.

The barque Glenlyne will be towed to-day from Neutral Bay to Pyrmont.

The French steamer Pacifique moves to-day from M. M. Wharf to an anchorage in Neutral Bay.

ARRIVALS AT FOREIGN PORTS.

At Algoa Bay: Vellore, ship (March 23), from Melbourne January 29.

At Capetown: Alm, barque (March 26), from Albany January 20; Hawthornbank (March 19), from Melbourne December 29.

At Durban: Undaunted, s. (April 7), from Lyttelton February 27.

At Honolulu: Hilliston, ship (March 30), from Newcastle January 21; Palmyra, barque (March 31), from Newcastle December 24.

At San Francisco: Clan Galbraith, ship (March 7), from Newcastle January 11; Inveresk, barque (March 10), from Newcastle December 14.

At Valparaiso: City of Madras, ship (March 7), from Newcastle January 10; Loch Cree, barque (March 8), from Newcastle January 5; Meinwen, barque (March 8), from Newcastle January 24.

CHARTERS.

Messrs. Nelson and Robertson report:—
Blenheim, ship, Brisbane to London.
Algoa Bay, barque, Glasgow to Sydney.
Northern Monarch, barque, Liverpool to Adelaide.
Nordlyset, barque, Fredrikstadt to Melbourne.
Silverhow, barque, New Zealand to United Kingdom or Continent.
Clan Macpherson, ship, Newcastle to Honolulu.
River Indus, barque, Newcastle to Salavery.
Samarkand, barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Nathuna, barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Narcissus, ship, Newcastle to West Coast.
Lady Cairns, ship, Newcastle to West Coast.
Polly Woodside, barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Netherby, ship, Newcastle to West Coast.
Lord Shaftesbury, four-masted barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Lalla Rookh, barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Brabloch, ship, New Caledonia to Glasgow.
Prosperity, schooner, Sydney to Bundaberg and back.

Easter Monday's Review is well illustrated in this week's "Mail."—Advt.

Some more Agricultural Show Prize-winners are illustrated in this week's "Mail"—Advt.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Wednesday Evening.

Business in the Stock and Share market to-day was fairly good, the demand generally being strong, particularly for bank stocks. Interminable 4 per cent. Government funded stock was offered at 115. Commercial of Australia, preferred, were rather stronger, with buyer at £6 12s. Australian Joint Stock Bank deposits show a rising tendency, A's selling at an advance of 3d, B's 1½d dearer, Queensland National Bank deposits being sold at the previous price. Sydney Ferries improved 1s, and Mercantile and Mutual Insurance 3d, Gaslight and Steam were unaltered. Broken Hill Water Supply advanced 6d; Mont de Piete, 3d; Mort's Dock, 1s; Sydney Hydraulic, 3d.

The following sales were reported on the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day:—Noon: A.J.S. Bank "A" deposits, 14s 3d; Sydney Ferries, 36s 6d. Later: E.S. and A. terminable deposits, 19s 11d; Queensland National Bank Inscribed, 15s; Sydney and Suburban Hydraulic Power, paid, 43s. Bank of New South Wales, 42; Mercantile Mutual Insurance, 10s 6d. Afternoon: Mort's Dock Engineering, 17s; Sydney Hydraulic, 43s. Later: Bank of New South Wales, 42; Mort's Dock Engineering, 17s. The closing quotations were:—

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N.Z. D., 1913	300,000	...	...	4	107½	106	...	3½
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Chillagoe 6 per cent. Deb., £25 certifi's	...	...	...	...	58½	...	...	...
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,167,907	10	7½	...	13	...	...	...
Australasia	1,600,000	40	40	8	...	70	...	4½
Royal of Q.	286,050	9	5½	2½	50	...	...	4½
City	240,000	10	8	4	85	80	85	4
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	78	78	80	4½
Com. of A. f.p.	1,009,527	6	3½	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto, pref.	2,117,070	10	10	3	11 6	12	...	4½
C'm. of Syd	1,000,000	25	12½	9	26	25½	26½	4½
N. of Aus. ord.	1,671,350	10	7	...	80	...	...	...
Ditto, pref.	305,750	10	10	5	...	...	11½	...
N.S. Wales	1,950,000	20	20	9	42	42	42½	4½
North Queensland	100,000	7	2	...	11	13	...	...
Q'nsland. Nat.	412,080	5	3	...	...	...	...	...
Union	1,500,000	75	25	6	35	35½	36½	4½
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bank—Class A	...	...	...	3	14 3	14 1½	14 3	4½
Class B	...	...	...	3	12 4½	12 6	13	5
Ditto Insc.	787,663	...	...	3½	10 3	10	11	7
Com. of Aus. A ser., 1898	991,163	...	...	3	19 2	19 3	...	3½
Ditto assets	...	...	...	3	16 3	17 6	...	4½
E.S.A. series	...	...	...	3	14 3	14 9	...	4½
Insc. pref	880,730	...	...	3	11 10½	12 3	...	4½
Ditto def.	875,676	...	...	3	14 7	14 6	...	4½
Ditto Deb.	983,547	...	...	4	18 6	18 6	...	4½
Ditto Ter.	489,474	...	...	4	19 11	19 6	...	4½
Nat. of Australia	...	...	...	4½	...	...	...	4½
Q. Nat.	...	...	...	3½	15	14 10½	15 3	4½
STEAM.								
Bal. N. Ferry	16,420	1	1	10	...	35	37 6	...
Illawarra	58,090	5	3½	8	6	5¾	...	5
Newcastle	160,000	1	1	6	18 9	18 7½	...	6½
Nth. Coast	121,743	1	17 6	8	21 9	21 6	...	6½
Syd. Ferries	120,000	1	1	8	36 6	36	37	4½
Port Jackson	25,000	20	25	10	31	30	32 6	8½
Ditto Co-op. Deb. Shs.	9,368	...	1	5	16 6	15 6	...	6
INSURANCE.								
A. M. Fire	37,500	1	7 6	18½	25 3	27	...	5½
Mer. Mutual	26,250	1	3 6	16½	10 6	10 6	10 9	5½
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	10	...	...	...	6½
United, x d	62,500	10	2½	10	64	70	80	6½
Ditto, New	5,725	10	12 6	10	13	11 6	...	7½
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12 6	10	18	17	...	7
Australian	681,708	6	6	9	17½	17½	17½	5½
C. Towers	20,000	10	10	10	14 3	11 9	13 3	...
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	44	40	...	...
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	24	27 6	...	...
Manly	10,000	1	1	7	21	21 6	...	...
Ditto, New	5,000	1	10	7	14	...	...	...
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	6	15	15 9	16 3	7½
Newcastle	25,128	2	2	15	5½	5¾	6½	4½
Ditto	...	2	5	15	...	13	...	...
North Shore	100,000	1	1	6	[illegible]	...	...	...
Ditto, New	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	4½
BREW'RIES.								
Albury	10,500	1	10	8	6 9	...	7 6	7½
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	...
Australian	86,000	1	1	...	5	...	5	...
C'tlm. & Wood Bre.	250,000	1	1	4	12 4½	12 3	12 9	6½
Marshall's	28,710	10	5	6	3 6	3 4	3 9	9
Perkins	58,330	15	15	15½	...	33 6	35 6	...
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	27	26 9	27	5½
MISCEL'H'S.								
Aarons'	17,500	15	10	...	7d	/6	1	...
Aus. News	40,000	1	1	5	20 9	26	20 6	4½
B.H. W. Sup.	186,500	1	1	13½	25	27	28	...
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	8	34	35	...	4½
New Issue	...	1	5	8	8 6	8	8 9	4½
Col. Sugar	1,708,000	20	20	10	37½	37½	37½	5½
New Issue	...	...	10	10	25½	25½	...	5½
Dalgety Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	54	5½	...	7½
Emu B. Rail.	100,000	1	1	...	6	7	8	...
Emu Gravel	34,000	1	1	5	8 6	6	...	...
Malt Co., con.	...	...	17	...	...	...	17	...
Melb. Trams	480,000	1	10	8	14 1½	14 6	...	4½
Mont de Piete	77,663	1	1	7½	24	24	24 6	6½
Ditto New	1,568	1	10	7½	7	...	...	...
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	6	17	16 9	17 3	7
Ditto Pref.	45,301	1	1	6	21 3	21 4½	21 6	5½
F. Food Ice	153,000	1	18	8	18 1	17 1½	18 1	8
Shale and Oil	75,000	1	15	...	4 4½	5	...	...
New York and S. Tob.	15,000	1	1	10	19	18 9	20	10½
Perm. Trustee	25,000	5	2 6	5	2 1	2/	2 2½	6½
Perpet. Trust.	25,000	10	5	7	8 3	7/9	8	4½
Richardson & Wrench	60,000	1	1	5	10 6	10 3	...	9½
Sil. Trams	107,990	1	1	40	95	98	97	4½
Syd. Exchange	30,000	10	10	7	14½	14½	...	4½
Syd. Hydr.	75,000	1	1	10	43	43	43 6	4½
1s., 10s pd.	37,500	1	10	...	22 6	21	21 6	4½
Vol. L. Orders	...	...	...	...	...	100	105	...
LAND & BD.								
Aus. Mut. Dep	...	...	...	...	7 1	...	...	...
Excelsior Dep.	...	...	...	...	7 6	7 0	...	...
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	14	15	...	...
Haymark't D.	...	...	13	3	12 8	13	...	...
Indust. Prov.	67,825	20	20	6	20	20	...	6
Inter. B. Dep.	35,304	1	15	7	13	12 9	14	8
Newc'tle B. & I.	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...
Sy. Fre. Land	...	...	...	...	8 10	6	7 0	...
Syd. & S. Dep.	...	...	...	...	10	4 3	...	...

*Where dividends are interim the yield is based on year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one.
† Cum rights.

The quotations on the London Stock Exchange on March 22 for colonial bank deposits were as follow:—

Australian Joint Stock Bank, "A" series, buyer 12s 6d, seller 13s; Australian Joint Stock Bank, "B" series, buyer 12s 6d, seller 13s; Commercial Bank of Australia, "A" series, buyer 18s 6d, seller 19s 6d; Commercial Bank of Australia, 4 per cent. pref., £10 fully paid, buyer 5¼, seller 5½; Special Assets Trust Company, Limited, Deposit Receipts, buyer 16s 3d, seller 17s 3d; English, Scottish, and Australian Bank Terminable Deposits, buyer 17s 6d; English, Scottish, and Australian Bank Inscribed Stock, pref., buyer 13s; English, Scottish, and Australian Bank Inscribed Stock, def., buyer 12s; English, Scottish, and Australian Bank Debentures, 4 per cent., buyer 15s; London Bank of Australia Deposits, buyer 19s 6d, seller 20s; National Bank of Australasia Deposits, buyer 19s 6d, seller 20s 6d; Queensland National Bank Inscribed Stock, buyer 14s, seller 14s 6d; Royal Bank of Queensland Deposits, 4½ per cent., buyer 17s 6d; Royal Bank of Queensland Deposits, 3 and 3½ per cent., buyer 16s.

The report of the National Bank of Australasia for the half-year ended March 31, appearing in our special advertisement columns this morning, shows net profit aggregating £25,453, less £3301, amount of note tax and income tax, being £2896 more than was earned in the previous half-year. The available balance was increased to £85,870. Of this £7644 was devoted to the payment of a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum. Having made all the calls under the reconstruction scheme, and adjusted the capital account by the forfeiture for non-payment of calls on 981 shares, amounting to £4977, and transferred the same to the reserve fund, bringing the reserve to £55,000 (inclusive of £22 yet to be transferred), and having further made the final payment of deferred fixed deposits, the board had deemed it proper to make a thorough examination of the bank's advances, with the result that they had thought it advisable to write off £2 per share of capital, making the amount paid up £5. The sum thus obtained, which will amount to about £476,960, is to be appropriated against doubtful dependencies. As £68,000 of the floating balance is likewise to be so applied the actual provision to be set against the advances shown in the balance-sheet at £4,341,990 is £544,960. The determination of the directors to honourably meet the heavy claims of high interest on the deferred deposits has prevented this bank from making such reductions in valuations as have been made by other banks. In the interests of the bank, of course, it was prudent to revalue their properties. The bank will start on its new career with its large capital clear of all doubt. The coin and other liquid balances equal 56 per cent. of its total liabilities to the public.

The Illawarra Steamship Company held its half-yearly meeting to-day, Mr. W. H. Manning presiding. The report showed a profit balance of £2996, including £194 brought forward from the previous half-year. From this the directors proposed to pay a dividend of 3s per share, which will absorb £2489, and to carry forward £506. The report was adopted. As directors Messrs. W. H. Manning and William Rigg were re-elected, and Mr. T. E. Synnott was elected in the place of Mr. Metcalfe. Messrs. J. R. Campbell and T. G. P. Croft were chosen auditors. Votes of thanks to the directors and officers were passed.

At a meeting of the Institute of Bankers of New South Wales, in the Equitable-buildings to-morrow (Thursday) evening, Mr. Wm. M'Millan will deliver an address entitled "The State Debts and State Railways of Australasia."

The proposed further note issue of the Bank of England against securities was made in the week ended March 21, when instead of other securities amounting to £5,784,900 appearing in the balance-sheet of the issue department, the total was £6,759,000. Fresh securities to the value of £975,000 had thus been purchased, with the right of note issue against them to that amount. The balance-sheets made up and published in our columns on each Saturday from the figures cabled since that time must thus be modified, the amount of notes in the issue department having to be increased by £975,000, and the amount of coin in the banking department reduced in the same measure. The right of increased issue of course gave a very acceptable supplement to the strength of the bank when needed, though of course it does not increase the currency of the country by so much, since the new notes merely take the place of issues of other banks to the amount of a million and a half.

The annual report of the Agra Bank of the voluntary liquidation of which we had advice a month back is now before us. As compared with £80,536 in 1898, and £209,391 in 1892, its gross profit was only £55,393, against which had to be set £23,493 for interest on current accounts and fixed deposits and £36,072 for expenses of management. There was thus a loss on working of £4173. An interim dividend at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum had been paid last October, absorbing £9000. A deficiency of £13,173 was thus shown, and this had to be filled by drawing £10,000 from reserve, and reducing the balance forward by £3172 to the small total of £1202. After these deductions the reserve was reduced to £10,000. The directors stated that, owing to the unprofitable condition of Indian exchange business and the depression caused by famine and plague, the operations of the second half of the year were very unsatisfactory, and they could not say that the conditions since the turn of the year had improved. As our cables have advised, voluntary liquidation was resolved upon.

The R.M.S. Cuzco, which sailed to-day for London, took gold bullion valued at £5300, shipped by the National Bank of New Zealand; and 10 bars dore bullion, shipped by the Smelting Company of Australia.

Eight applications were granted on March 16 for the establishment of new national banks, under the new Currency Bill. The market was hopeful as to the effect the law would have on the financial outlook. Up to March 20 the applications for refunding Government bonds under the new bill amounted to 77 million dollars; but experts seemed to be of opinion that the new notes would only be able to be put on the market very slowly.

Details of the subscriptions to the Khaki loan of £30,000,000 were received to-day. On March 19 the Chancellor of the Exchequer announced that there were about 39,800 applicants, their subscriptions aggregating £335,500,000. The nature of the support may be seen from the following figures:—

	Applications.	Number.
From	£100 to £1,000	30,800
"	£1,100 to £100,000	8,639
"	£101,000 to £1,000,000	344

The largest subscription was for 10 millions, being the one sent in by the great house of Morgan. Applicants for £10,000 and upwards were to receive about 6 per cent.; those for less from 6 per cent. to allotment in full for as many of the smallest subscribers as possible, and thus there was every prospect of the popularity of Khakis being firmly established from the moment of their creation.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat ruled dull, at up to 2s 8d for primest. Offerings were somewhat restricted, but buyers were equally difficult to find. Second grades were neglected. Flour met with a steady sale only at £5 5s to £6 10s per ton. The season throughout the chief wheat-growing areas of the colony is reported as being favourable to ploughing and sowing, there even being complaints of a little too much rain in what are usually regarded as the driest parts. From Melbourne it is reported that members of the Victorian Millers' Association are not strictly adhering to the prices fixed by that body, which at present stand at £6 10s for bakers' lots. Forward selling is said to be the root of the trouble.

The Cuzco, which sailed to-day for London, took 1080 bags of flour, shipped by S. A. Joseph and Rickard, Limited.

The exports of wheat and flour from Victoria up to date this season is thus stated by the "Argus":—

	Wheat. Bags.	Flour. Bags.
Victorian produce	676,626	99,1[illegible]
New South Wales produce	52,839	1,5[illegible]
Transhipped	3,315	2,100
Total	732,770	102,851

Messrs. John Darling and Son, writing from Adelaide on April 23, state:—

Wheat.—There is no business to report with Europe during the week, and latest cables advise that markets there are affected unfavourably by American advices, and that they are quiet and easier with values of Australian cargoes of wheat, prompt shipment, 28s 9d to 29s per 480lb. c.i.f. for orders, and 28s to 28s 3d per 480lb. c.i.f. London. Locally there is very little business doing; supplies are about equal to demand, both of which are on an extremely small scale, and from appearances likely to continue so for some time. There is no doubt that a considerable quantity of wheat remains for export in Victoria and South Australia, and should there be any cessation of shipments, then the possibility is that when holders are desirous of selling they will have to expect lower prices, as, from the general outlook, it does not seem as though freights are going to materially give way, but rather promise to be fully maintained. It is a pity the shipping season so far has not covered a larger quantity of what so as to have given some little prospect of an advance, though holdings not being too large. Of course there is a possibility of weather markets in Europe and elsewhere at harvest time influencing the grain trade favourably, but apart from this there does not seem any prospect whatever of other than a hand-to-mouth dragging trade for the balance of the year. Quotations for farmers' parcels at Port Adelaide remain at 2s 8d, and for shipping parcels 2s 8½d f.o.b. We do not hear of any further shipping engagements being made for our foreign exporting markets, and altogether the trade is as dull as it could possibly be.

Flour remains extremely depressed, with no indication of any improvement. The export inquiry is extremely limited, and the trade are only operating from hand to mouth, which state of things promises to continue for some time unless disturbed by some extraordinary circumstances, which do not at present appear on the surface. We do not hear of any further engagements being made other than those referred to in our last, and quotations are more or less nominal at £5 12s 6d to £5 17s 6d per ton for ordinary, and £6 2s 6d to £6 5s per ton for best patent roller f.o.b. Port Adelaide.

From the Western Australian Agricultural Department we have received a sample of the colony's f.a.q. standard wheat. It is a nice sample, weighing 63lb. per bushel.

"Prospects have not been better, in my opinion, since 1894," said one of the largest Victorian mallee wheat-growers a few days since. "The rains have been remarkably regular and well distributed, and where in past seasons we have had to be thankful for one heavy downpour, probably late in the season, and then week after week of comparative dryness, so destructive to the germinating plants, this season we have falls, admittedly not very heavy, at regular short intervals, which, taken together with the subsoil soaking rains in the earlier part of the season, must prove of incalculable benefit to the coming crops." "There will be few who will wish to controvert this statement," says the "Age," commenting on the above. "It sums up the position in a nutshell. Nearly all districts report very hopefully indeed. The land is in a good condition for sowing, ploughing has been facilitated by abundance of moisture, and in the time it took to prepare 4 acres last season it is calculated that five have been prepared in this. Grass is fairly abundant, though most of the dairy farmers in the leading districts have 'dropped' to the fact that even with abundance of natural food a little extra stall feeding produces very profitable results, which partially accounts for the very large consumption of millers' offal now taking place. There can be little doubt that if present prospects are borne out the season will be an extremely favourable one."

IMPORT MARKET.

The slight improvement in business noted yesterday was not so apparent to-day, the showery weather no doubt being to an extent responsible. Prices, however, were generally maintained. Large country orders for tea were received, and city inquiries were also good. Further parcels of German beet sugar have been taken up to arrive, the first shipment of the season being due on Friday next. Other shipments follow. Business also transpired in Mauritius and Queensland yellows and browns, the two last-named being mostly for export. Further importations between now and the opening of the new Queensland season, except those already provided for, appear unlikely, judging from the state of the markets in producing centres. Good sales of candles were advised, but groceries generally, and dried fruits in particular, were not actively sought after in parcels. Metals showed somewhat less spirit. Reduced prices are now being accepted for barbed wire, and there are also one or two weak holders of black wire. Jute goods underwent no appreciable change.

In a circular dated London, March 23, Messrs. Strong and Trowbridge make the following reference to the American freighting situation:—"It is an open secret that negotiations have taken place with a view to settlement of the freighting war, which negotiations, owing to impossible conditions, we regret to say have for the moment failed. However, it is our firm opinion that a settlement of this question being so highly desirable, not only upon the part of the shipping people themselves, but upon the part of the Australian merchants, who are suffering grievous injury from the prolongation of demoralised rates, will be effected very shortly, and the temporary delay is no way jeopardise a satisfactory final adjustment, by which all legitimate Australian merchants and all commission houses will be placed upon exactly the same basis." The Tyser line are advised as having the Atlantic fixed for May loading for Sydney, and the Balmore for Melbourne.

Tea.—There were good inquiries abroad for tea, but little actual business was compassed. Country orders, however, were very numerous, storekeepers evidently speculating on the possibility of an increase in the duty. Private advices from Calcutta dated April 2 are interesting. They state:—"Plucking has commenced in all districts to a limited extent, and some few musters we have seen show satisfactory quality. Rain has been plentiful except in the Dooars and Terai districts, where it is very much behind the average of last year at this time. A marked decline in common tea has taken place in London, but medium qualities have a better market there now than at any time during the past season."

Sugar.—The first shipment of beet sugar this year will arrive in the Bielefeld on Friday. The full quantity that was to have been shipped is not coming forward, portion having been short-shipped. There are 300 tons in all. The Varzin follows in the middle of May with about 550 tons, the bulk of which has been already placed, as well as that in the Bielefeld, at £18 10s to arrive. The Duisburg is due in the middle of June with between 500 and 600 tons. A parcel of 50 tons of Mauritius in large bags sold at £18, while for Mauritius rebagged locally into 70lb. hessian, 5s to 10s per ton more is asked. Bright grainy yellows sold at £16, soft yellows at £15 10s, and a quantity of dark yellows and browns was taken for export at £11 10s to £12 f.o.b. in bond. Private letters from London by to-day's mail state that "the market is firmer, and prices have a hardening tendency." The price of beet sugar has risen 15s per ton during the first three months of the present year, the higher prices being asked for February to May shipment. Mauritius advices dated March 23 state that prices are far too high for business to result with Australia, as the lowest price shipments could be made at would be 15s 3d to 16s 6d cost and freight, or at least £2 per ton above the rates ruling here. Writing on the date mentioned Messrs. Blyth Brothers and Co. state:—"During the last fortnight of February and until stocks in first hands were virtually exhausted, business was very brisk with us, as the Arab traders followed their usual course and cleared the market of almost every available quality suitable for the Bombay and Cape markets, and whilst Rs. 10.00 was paid for the inferior class as much as Rs. 10.50 was paid for good whites, whilst extra finest were taken at Rs. 10.70 and Rs. 10.80 without any claim against sellers for damp sugars. It is somewhat difficult to estimate the exact quantity purchased, but we should say that from the 10th ultimo to date not less than 13,000 to 15,000 tons must have changed hands, included amongst which must be reckoned fair quantities of the better class of whites to meet contracts made ahead for shipment to Cape ports during the next two months. Our market is therefore virtually bare of sugars in first hands, with the exception of a few thousand bags of very fine whites, for which sellers are asking more than buyers care to pay at present, whilst there is also a certain quantity of extra finest whites on hand, for which class of sugar there does not seem to have been as much demand as usual this season for the Cape market. During the last few days news has been received of a rise in the Bombay market, and if same is maintained we anticipate high prices being asked by the native traders when re-sales are made to European merchants for shipment to the Cape."

Groceries.—2000 boxes of Gouda candles changed hands to arrive on private terms. Other lines were generally quiet, without any quotable change in prices.

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. held a successful sale to-day of salvage goods from the recent fire at the premises of Messrs. J. R. Love and Co. 5981 packages, more or less fire and water damaged, were offered and practically cleared out at full prices, condition considered.

Liquors.—The demand was rather quiet, the prices of the leading lines being unaltered—Hennessy's one-star brandy at 34s to 34s 3d, and three-star at 43s to 45s 3d; Key gin, 10s 9d for 15-bottle and 11s 6d for 16's, and Lowndes' rum at 3s 9d to 3s 10d.

Hops.—Best Tasmanian hops sold at 11d to 1s, good quality being obtainable at 9½d to 10d. The price of Nelsons continued too high for local brewers to operate.

Metals.—Not very much activity prevailed in this department, prices being generally without alteration. Nos. 8 and 10 American fencing wire sold at £10 10s and £11 10s respectively. Ten-ton lots of barbed wire moved off at £13 15s ex store. Wire nails were still quoted at 7½ per cent. off list for shipments. Tinplates ruled steady at 18s 6d for I. C. Cokes, and cement was quoted nominally at 11s per cask.

Jute Goods.—Locally there was not much doing. Cornsacks remained a shade firmer at 5s 6d. Branbags were quoted at 4s, and woolpacks had a little attention for forward delivery. Messrs. Hoare, Miller, and Co.'s Calcutta circular, dated March 30, states that business was generally quiet on that date with prices well maintained, without likelihood of any giving way until the new jute crop was available. There was, however, considerable inquiry in the market at rates slightly under current quotations. Prices of woolpacks ruled firm. Cornsacks were inquired after, but the existing differences between buyers and sellers could not at the moment be bridged. Sales of branbags were reported for March-April shipment at 3s 8d, and offers at 3s 7½d for April-August had been declined. The shipments of cornsacks up to date during 1900, and including the Umballa shipment, were as follow:—

	Melbourne. Bales.	Sydney. Bales.	Total. Bales.
Darius	572	240	812
Umballa	413	175	588
Total to date	985	415	1,400
Same date 1899	560	651	1,411*

* Including 250 bales for Adelaide.

The exports of woolpacks during the same periods compare as follows:—

	Adelaide. Bales.	Melbourne. Bales.	Sydney. Bales.	Total. Bales.
Darius	62	—	225	287
Umballa	190	—	887	1,077
Total to date	252	—	1,112	1,364
Same date 1899	486	250	1,559	2,295

The exports of branbags during the same periods were as follow:—

	Adelaide. Bales.	Melbourne. Bales.	Sydney. Bales.	Total. Bales.
Darius	2	378	88	468
Umballa	20	350	125	495
Total to date	22	728	213	963
Same date 1899	167	1,707	154	2,018

Oils.—400 cases of Homelight kerosene changed hands to arrive at 9½d f.o.b. 75 drums of B. S. and Co.'s raw and boiled linseed oil sold at 2s 11d and 3s 1d respectively. Calcutta advices state that the castor market showed a declining tendency on March 30 owing to the increased supplies of seed. Shipments of castor for Sydney from Calcutta during January-February this year totalled 983 cases, against 2352 cases in 1899, 2250 in 1898, and 1599 cases in 1897. The shrinkage in shipments is thus of a substantial character.

Messrs. Blundell, Spence, and Co.'s circular to hand by to-day's mail, dated London, March 19, quotes double boiled linseed oil at 2s 3d. Our own cable early this week gave the latest price of the same oil as 2s 5d, an advance of 2d per gallon between the two dates.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £7092. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £3245; wine, £98; ale, porter, and beer, £80; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1716; tea, £73; sugar and molasses, £45; opium, £35; dried and candied fruits, £201; harbour and light rates, £17; pilotage, £40; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1000; excise on beer, £456. Total, £7092.

EXPORT MARKET.

French Wine Crop.—In his report on the French wine crop Mr. John C. Covert, the American Consul at Lyons, gives some interesting figures in regard to grape culture in France, from which it appears that the industry is steadily recovering from the effects of the phylloxera. Before that insect invaded the country the annual production of wine was 1,585,020,000 gallons, on an acreage of 6,177,500 acres. It was about 1870 when a Bordeaux winegrower planted in his vineyard a number of Californian vines, which grew luxuriantly on French soil. But in proportion as they advanced the native vines began to wither and die, and examination proved that they were attacked and destroyed by a tiny insect, which multiplied with astonishing rapidity. This pest spread until few French vineyards were free from its ravages, and it cost France more money than the Franco-Prussian war. It soon became known that the American vines were not injured by the phylloxera, and as a result American stems have been largely planted. The practice has been steadily followed, and to-day the area under vines is 4,102,000 acres. The acreage planted with vines is annually increased by about 30,000 acres, and it is expected that in a few years the production of the period preceding the introduction of the phylloxera will be equalled; in fact, professors of viticulture expect, Mr. Covert says, that France will in a few years produce more wine than at any previous time, owing to the better methods of cultivation and manufacture adopted.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 145 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail.

LONDON WOOL MARKET.

LONDON, March 23.

Irregularity, both in bidding and values, has characterised the sales during the past week. America has been fairly active, and some suitable wools for that quarter have been catalogued, for which they competed keenly, taking at times considerable quantities. France has been erratic, but chiefly rather indifferent as to purchasing. Germany has kept a fairly steady demand for medium and faulty wools in the scoured state. The home trade as usual have taken the largest proportion of the crossbreds offering with an assortment of merinos.

There have been some choice Victorian greasies, for which the American section strove for the mastery. For the first lots 17½d per lb. has been obtained for Victorian greasy and 21d per lb. for lambs of same district, pieces reaching 14½d per lb. The best scoureds are not much in favour, buyers not being eager to pay fancy prices. Offers were frequently below sellers' ideas, and this led to rather large withdrawals of this class at times. As the series nears the close there is evidence of buyers having got their orders filled, hence wools of little or no character become difficult of sale. On the whole, except for the best greasy descriptions, values have accentuated the decline of the opening day. Fine crossbreds, with lustre and length, have met a good demand at firm rates, 14d being reached for some New Zealand produce, and 15½d per lb. for Victorian greasy crossbred. Faulty wasty greasy sorts have not gone off well. The uncertain yield and the unsteady state of the cheap or ordinary 60's top market make it difficult for buyers of this class to know how to act. Good medium wools, both merino and crossbred, on account of general competition, including America, have been easy to sell, and prices remain firm, with good demand. Lambs, more especially the best sorts, of which there has been only a limited quantity, have been well competed for, 21d per lb., as previously observed, being touched for some choice Victorian greasy. Scoured sorts never sell so well, comparatively, as greasy or fleece washed, on account of the difficulty of sorting the coarser portions from the finer.

The Yorkshire top markets show no signs of any improvement. There is a great deal of confidence on the part of holders of the raw material, who think that to make any concessions would be a great mistake just now. At the same time buyers cannot see their way to operate except under pressing requirements. The turnover is only on small lines, consumers being far from anxious to replenish stocks. There is a great deal of material in course of manufacture. There is no slackening of machinery. Spinners and manufacturers of stuffs have still a good booking of orders, hence their refusal to take orders at less money, which are freely offered both from home and foreign account.

Dress goods makers are very busy, as also worsted-coating manufacturers. Cloth manufacturers still have plenty of work in hand, and prospectively have nothing to complain of.

Flannels have a good run. Any attempts on the part of merchants to try to obtain slight concessions on new orders on account of the ease in the London wool market fails utterly. Manufacturers are too busy, hence very independent, and cannot consent to work for less money.

All available machinery is going at full speed and time. Judged from this standpoint there ought to be no weakening in values of raw material; but there is a large holding, both in the provinces and London. Consumers therefore show a good deal of independence.

Annexed are a few details of some leading brands sold and prices obtained at current auctions:—

New South Wales Wools.—Winbar, scoured first combing at 2s 0½d, scoured second combing at 2s 0½d, scoured first clothing at 2s, scoured second clothing at 1s 10d, scoured pieces at 1s 8½d, scoured locks at 1s 7d; Kallara, greasy first combing at 10d, 9d, greasy second combing at 9d, greasy first clothing at 9½d, greasy broken at 11d, greasy first pieces at 10½d, 9½d, greasy second pieces at 9½d, scoured first clothing at 2s 1d, scoured second clothing at 2s, scoured second pieces at 1s 10½d, 1s 10d; M in diamond over Wallabadah, greasy first combing at 1s 1½d, greasy second combing at 1s 1d, greasy first pieces at 11½d, greasy second pieces at 9d; GPW over OBC, greasy first combing at 1s 2d, greasy second combing at 1s 1d, greasy third combing at 1s 0½d, greasy first lambs at 1s 1d, greasy first pieces at 1s 0½d, greasy second pieces at 11d, greasy super crossbred at 1s 1½d, 1s 1d, 1s 0½d, greasy first crossbred lambs at 11½d, 11d, greasy second crossbred lambs at 10d, greasy first crossbred pieces at 1s, 10½d, greasy second crossbred pieces at 9½d, 9d; NAG&Co over Burra Burra, greasy first combing at 1s 0½d, 1s, greasy second combing at 1s 0½d, 1s, greasy first pieces at 1s, 11½d; Brookong, greasy super combing at 1s 1½d, 1s 1d, 1s, 11½d, greasy first lambs at 1s, 11½d, greasy second lambs at 9d, greasy necks at 11½d, greasy super pieces at 11d, 10½d, greasy first pieces at 10½d; BKG, scoured first combing at 1s 11d, 1s 10d, 1s 9½d, scoured clothing at 1s 9d, scoured first pieces at 1s [illegible]d, scoured locks at 1s 5d; Fisher over Yanga, greasy A combing at 1s 1d, 1s, 11½d, greasy AA combing at 10½d, greasy C combing at 10½d, greasy AA lambs at 6½d.

Queensland Wools.—Manuka, scoured super combing at 1s 11d, 1s 10½d, 1s 10d, 1s 9d, 1s 9½d, scoured first clothing at 1s 9½d, 1s 8½d, 1s 8d, scoured first lambs at 1s 9½d, 1s 9d, 1s 8½d, scoured first pieces at 1s 8d, scoured bellies at 1s 7d; Manfred, greasy first combing at 11½d, 10½d, greasy first clothing at 10d, 9½d, greasy first pieces at 1s 0d, greasy first lambs at 11½d, greasy second lambs at 10½d; T in triangle over KB, greasy first combing at 1s 1d, greasy second combing at 1s 1d, 1s 0½d, greasy third combing at 1s 0½d, greasy combing at 1s, greasy first clothing at 1s 2d, 1s 1d, greasy second clothing at 1s 1½d, 1s, greasy third clothing at 1s 2½d, 1s 1½d, greasy broken at 10½d, greasy first pieces at 11½d, 11d, 10d, greasy second pieces at 10d, 9½d, greasy bellies at 9d, 8½d; Kynuna, scoured super combing at 1s 11½d, scoured first combing at 1s 11½d, scoured first clothing at 1s 11½d; Burenda, greasy A combing at 1s 1½d, 1s 1d, greasy B combing at 1s 1½d, 1s 1d, 1s, greasy A clothing at 1s 1d, 1s, greasy B clothing at 11½d, greasy A broken at 1s 0½d, 11½d, greasy B broken at 10½d, greasy A lambs at 1s, greasy B lambs at 10½d; MD&Co. over Eurella over Fitzroy Downs, greasy AAA at 11½d, greasy AA at 11½d, greasy BB at 11d, 10½d, greasy B at 9½d, greasy skirts at 11½d, 10½d, greasy pieces at 10½d, 10d, 9d; Afton, scoured super combing at 1s 11d, scoured super clothing at 1s 11d, 1s 1½d, scoured first clothing at 1s 10d, scoured first pieces at 1s 9½d, scoured second pieces at 1s 8½d, 1s 7½d, scoured bellies at 1s 8½d, 1s 7d, scoured locks at 1s 7½d, 1s 7d, 1s 5d; DD&WLCo. over Jimbour, greasy A combing at 1s 1d, 1s 0½d, 1s, greasy A clothing at 1s 0½d, greasy A pieces at 11½d, greasy A crossbred combing at 1s, 11½d, greasy B crossbred combing at 10½d, greasy A crossbred pieces at 10½d.

Victorian Wools.—WL over Wooleen Vale, greasy super combing at 1s 5½d, 1s 4½d, greasy A combing at 1s 5½d, 1s 5d, 1s 2½d, greasy first combing at 1s 5½d, 1s 4½d, 1s 3½d, greasy second combing at 1s 2½d, 1s 1d, greasy first at 1s 2d, greasy first lambs at 1s 5½d, 1s 5d, greasy second lambs at 10d, greasy first pieces at 1s 2d, 1s 1d, greasy second pieces at 1s 0½d; JG, greasy super combing at 1s 5½d, 1s 5d, 1s 4d, 1s 2½d, greasy first combing at 1s 5d, 1s 4½d, 1s 4d, greasy second combing at 1s 3d, greasy first lambs at 1s 9d, 1s 8½d, greasy second lambs at 1s 0½d, 1s, greasy first pieces at 1s 2d, 1s 1d, greasy second pieces at 1s 0½d, 1s; Benyeo, scoured fleece at 1s 10d, scoured lambs at 1s 4½d, scoured pieces at 1s 8½d, 1s 6½d, scoured locks at 1s 4d; X over SC, greasy super combing crossbred at 1s 3½d, greasy first combing crossbred at 1s 2d, greasy first combing halfbred at 11d, 10½d, 9d, greasy super lambs crossbred at 1s 0½d, 11½d, 10½d, 10d, greasy first lambs crossbred at 9½d, 8½d, greasy second lambs crossbred at 7½d, 7d; Muiwala, greasy super at 1s 0½d, greasy A at 1s, greasy B at 10d, greasy first pieces at 10d, greasy second pieces at 9½d, greasy first lambs at 10d, greasy second lambs at 8½d; FD&CO over Atlas Works over Yarra Bank, scoured super combing at 2s 1½d, 1s 10½d, scoured first clothing at 1s 10d, scoured super lambs at 1s 9½d; Ensay, greasy first combing at 1s 1½d, greasy second combing at 1s 0½d, greasy A crossbred at 1s 0½d, greasy B crossbred at 10½d, 9½d, greasy C crossbred at 8½d, greasy D crossbred at 8½d; Toorale, scoured super combing at 2s 3d, scoured first combing at 2s 2d, 2s 1½d, scoured second combing, 2s 1½d, scoured broken at 2s 1d; Yat Nat, greasy super combing at 1s 3d, greasy first combing at 1s 2½d, greasy second combing at 1s 2d, greasy first pieces at 1s 0½d, greasy second pieces at 11d, greasy first lambs at 1s 6d, greasy second lambs at 1s.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Transactions in wheat were unimportant during the day. The demand for shipping is insignificant. Millers appear to be satisfied for a time, and 2s 8d to 2s 8½d represents the value. For leading brands of flour £6 7s 6d is quoted, but country sorts are to be had for much less. Fifty tons of bran were placed at 11½d, and pollard is firm at 1s. Branbags were marketed at 4s 6d per dozen, which is a record price for some years past. A small parcel of cornsacks sold at 5s 7d.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day Victorian 3 per cents sold £100 7s 6d; Metropolitan Board Works 3½ per cents, £101 2s 6d; South Australian Brewery 5 per cents, £105; Commercial Bank ordinary, 21s, and preferential, £6 12s, £6 11s; London Bank ordinary, 85s; National, 78s; Royal, 15s 6d; Victoria, 65s, 66s, and pref. £11 10s; Commercial Bank Special Assets Trust, 17s 10d; Metropolitan Gas, £8 2s; Victoria Fire Insurance, 27s 6d; Chillagoe Provisional Certificate, £95, £93; Melbourne Trams, 14s 10½d; Silverton Trams, 96s, 96s 6d; B.H. Water Supply, 27s; Melbourne Hydraulic, paid, 34s; Permewan, Wright, 26s.

Wheat steady but quiet, 2s 9½d. Flour dull up to £6 10s. Bran is 1½d for prompt, and 1s 1d for next week's delivery. Pollard, 1s 1d. Algerian oats quiet, 2s 2d, 2s 6d. Good business was done in maize, 2s 5½d to 2s 6d ex store, and 2s 6½d free on board, principally for export to Queensland. Sales covering about 2000 bags chaff, £2 15s to £3. Warrnambool potatoes, 45s to 50s; Colac, 42s 6d. Onions, 45s to 47s 6d. 150 packages Ceylon tea sold at 7½d to 8d. Several hundred cases currants sold partly to arrive, provincial 4½d, Patras 5d to 5½d. 150 bales cornsacks sold. Branbags, 4s to 4s 1d on spot. Kerosene selling freely at 10½d for truck-loads. Deliveries for the week ended Tuesday were 10,972 cases, stocks 112,208 cases. 500 drums of Blundell, Spence, and Co.'s raw and boiled oil sold at full rates. Factory butter dull at 9d to 9½d, specials up to 10d. Eggs, 1s 4d to 1s 5d.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

PALMER'S ISLAND, Wednesday.

The Kallatina left at 2 p.m. with 3169 bags of maize, 3 bags hair, 6 bags bones, 23 bags beans, 6 bags pumpkins, 12 bags potatoes, 237 boxes butter, 9 bundles skins, 3 bales leather, 86 cases eggs, 16 cases honey, 72 cases meat, 12 cases fish, 3 casks tallow, 15 coops poultry, 1 horse, 117 hides, 97 pigs, 20 cans cream, and sundries.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Wednesday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

The markets were rather quiet in tone, but notwithstanding a fair amount of business was done in most departments. Supplies available were good, and sufficient for requirements. Movements in prices were few and of little importance. A fair sale was noted for maize, while oats had a good deal of attention at about late rates. A line of 700 bags of C grade New Zealand oats was placed at 2s 3d per bushel. Cape barley made 2s 4d under the hammer. Chickwheat was firm and in good demand at 2s 3d to 2s 5d. Both bran and pollard were plentiful and rather quiet at 10½d each. Local chaff moved more freely, prices being a trifle firmer on account of the smaller supplies offered for sale. The sale for imported chaff was also good at rather high prices. In one instance a line of 300 bags of choice green was mentioned at £4. The arrivals of lucerne continued moderate, and the demand steady up to 65s for choice samples. At auction dark straw in derrick bales had good sale at 45s per ton. The market for potatoes was somewhat dull, and holders in the majority of cases were prepared to accept a slight reduction in order to effect sales. Onions were in fairly good request, stocks having been replenished by the arrival of fresh supplies from Victoria. In dairy produce, as is usual on a Wednesday, trade was rather quiet. Cheese was scarce and in active demand at firm prices.

Wholesale quotations were:—

FEED-GRAIN MARKET.

Oats.—Firm. New Zealand prime feed quoted at 2s 5d to 2s 6d, other sorts to 2s 4d; Tasmanian, choice 2s 4d per bushel.

Maize.—Market firm. Prime, 2s 6d; other qualities, 2s 5d per bushel.

Peas.—Blue, 3s 3d; grey, 2s 6d to 2s 9d per bushel.

Barley.—Cape, choice, 2s 4d to 2s 6d; feed, 2s per bushel; English feed, 2s 3d to 2s 6d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Plentiful, to 2s 3½d; choice full grain, 2s 4d to 2s 5d; New Zealand, to 2s 5d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed, local, £2 5s to £2 15s per ton.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime rack, £3 15s to £4; medium, £3 to £3 5s; inferior sorts, to £2 10s per ton.

Lucerne.—Prime, £3 to £3 5s; railway, prime, £3 to £3 7s 6d per ton.

Chaff.—Local: Prime, £3 2s 6d to £3 10s; extra green, to £3 15s; medium, £2 17s 6d to £3; inferior and dusty, to £2 12s 6d per ton.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran was quoted at 10½d, and pollard at 10½d per bushel.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Firm. Best factory, 10d; second quality, 8½d to 9d; dairy, 7½d to 8d per lb.

Bacon and Hams.—Hand-cured, prime, 8d, second-class, 5½d; flitches, 5d to 5½d; middles, 6½d to 7d; mild cured, 6d to 6½d; farmers' lots, 5d; flitches, 4½d; Pineapple flitches 5½d, middles 7½d; Bodalla sides, 6½d, flitches 6d, and middles 7½d; hams, 9d; local hams choice, cloth, 8d; others, 7½d; Pineapple, 9d; New Zealand, 8½d; English, 9d; small weights, 9½d per lb.

Cheese.—Choice loaf, 6d; medium 5½d, large medium 5½d, choice 5½ to 6d; New Zealand, medium 5½d to 6d; Bodalla, 6d per lb.

Poultry.—Chickens, to 2s 3d; fowls, prime, 2s 6d; prime heavy young roosters, 3s to 3s 6d; English river ducks, 2s to 3s; locally reared, 2s to 3s, Muscovy ducks, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; drakes, choice, 4s; geese, prime young, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; turkeys, gobblers (old), 8s to 10s, (young) 5s 6d to 6s 6d; hens, 4s to 4s 6d per pair.

Eggs.—North, 1s 3d to 1s 5d; South, 1s 6d; new laid, 1s 10d to 1s 11d per dozen.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Prime Tasmanian Circulars, £2 17s 6d to £3 per ton.

WOOD MARKET.

Fair supply. Quiet demand. Foot-wood, best 12s 6d to 13s 6d; medium, 11s to 12s; rough, 6s to 8s 6d; bakers' split, best 8s to 10s; second quality 6s 6d to 7s 6d; large dry, 9s to 10s 6d; large green, 7s to 9s; billets, good box, 7s to 9s; bundled, good, 9s to 10s 6d; second quality, 7s to 8s 6d.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 4d to 4½d; special lots, 5d; bulk, 3d to 3½d per lb.

Onions.—Scarce. Choice, £3 10s per ton.

Game.—Hares, 1s to 1s 6d per pair; rabbits, 6s to 7s per dozen pairs.

Honey.—Plentiful. Inferior, 1½d to 1½d, good, 1½d to 2d, Choice, 2½d to 2½d per lb.

REDFERN SALE.

A good supply of produce, principally chaff, was submitted for sale this morning. There was a large attendance of buyers, who operated with a considerable amount of freedom. Owing to the smaller supplies of chaff forward the inquiry was much better, and prices, if anything, a trifle firmer. Extra-choice green made 3s 8d to 3s 9d, prime samples going at 3s 3d to 3s 6d. Medium quality fetched 2s 10d to 3s, and off quality to 2s 9d per cwt. Lucerne was cheaper and in fair request at 3s to 3s 3d for good to prime samples. Oaten hay of good quality found a buyer at 3s 8d per cwt. Dark straw in derrick bales realised 2s 5d, and fair quality in bundles 2s 8d per cwt. Bran was plentiful and rather dull of sale at 10½d per bushel. Cape barley had steady sale at 2s 4d per bushel. Pumpkins were in good demand at 1s to 3s 6d per dozen, according to size and quality. Oats were offered without leading to business.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions of produce actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 35 trucks; lucerne, 4; oaten hay, 3; oats, 1; straw, 3; bran, 3; barley, 1; pumpkins, 3.

Among the consignees were—Messrs. H. Prescott and Co., Heaton Brothers, A. M'Arthur and Co., R. Hall and Son, Farmers' Co-operative Company, Sheppard, Harvey, and Walker, Dent and Perry, J. Bridge, J. W. Gray and Co., Ellis and Co., G. Wells and Matthews, and H. M. Suttor and Co.

Supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From Gehan, Orange, (truck No. 28 9) 3s; Bearer, (5252) 3s; B. B. and Co., (2416) 3s 4d; M'Kenzie, (9780), 3s 10d; M'Innes, Cowra, (4878) 3s 8d; Lowe and Harley, Carcoar, (10,751) 3s 6d; W. Maguire, Raglan, (6810) 3s 10d; W. Foster, Wimbledon, (6098) 3s 3d; Holliday, Uranquinty, (2082) 3s 9d; J. Pratt, Harefield, (488) 2s 9d; Dennis, Harefield, (4564) 3s 5d; Futter, Cootamundra, (5874) passed; M. Maher, Cootamundra, (5880) 3s 4d; A. Maloney, Wagga, (48774) passed, (3640) 2s 5d; J. Cumming, Wagga, (4213) 3s 2d; T. Wilson, (4488) 2s 10d; Unwin, Glencoe, (23) 2s 4d; Scott, Wallendbeen, (8943) and (970) 2s; J. Hidler, (3413), (1554), and (664) 2s 10d; Saunders, Millthorpe, (4136) 3s, (3371) 3s 3d, (309) 3s 1d; Osborne, (209) 3s 1d; A. M'Dermott, (6874) 3s 2d, and 3s 1d; Osborne, (745) passed; Webb, Spring Hill, (35 0) 3s 2d; J. H. Nicholls, (1718) 3s 4d; A. Capps, (5628) 3s 4d; H. Ewin, Blayney, (5703) 3s 5d; M'Cudden, Dubbo, (7060) and (8144) 2s 11d per cwt.

Lucerne.—From J. Pattley, George's Plains, (416) 3s 2d; W. Flack, Mudgee, (0456) passed; B. Laidlaw Moombi, (2263) 3s; S. Cox, Mulgrave, (2853) 3s 3d per cwt.

Hay.—From Stanley, Lyndhurst, (10694) passed; M. E. West, Brewongle, (7369) 3s 8d per cwt.; Cheesey, Blayney, (1518) passed.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed: From T. F. Pratley, Wangoola, (8111) 2s 3d, (5913) 2s 5d per cwt. Bundle: From sales, Liverpool, (5594) 2s 8d per cwt.

Bran.—From Sarnes and Co., Parramatta, (10612) 10½d; Young, Mudgee, (4369) passed; Wise Bros., Jerilderie, (4127) passed.

Cape Barley.—From Bercini, Branxton, (7900) 2s 4d per bushel.

Oats.—From E. Rice, Tarana, (8760) passed.

Pumpkins.—From Callan, Richmond, (5738) 2s 1d; G. Shields, 1s 4d; W. Wright, Penrith, (8037) 1s; J. Wilcox, 3s 5d; B. Hollier, preserving melons, 3d; J. Cupitt, Windsor, (7856) 1s 4d per dozen.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Owing to the inclement weather business in the fruit trade at the Exhibition Buildings, Prince Alfred Park, was rather dull to-day. Supplies under offer were only fair, but, nevertheless, ample for all requirements. Bananas were cheaper, and Victorian pears dearer. In other lines no changes transpired.

Current quotations were:—

Apples.—Local: Dessert, rough and small, 3s to 3s 6d; good, 4s to 5s; choice, 6s to 7s; cooking, 2s 6d to 3s; good, 4s; choice, 5s; jam lots, 2s 6d per gincase. Tasmanian Ribstones, 4s 6d to 5s; Scarlets, choice to 6d to 7s, others 5s 6d to 6s; Alexanders, 5s to 6s; Alphestones, 4s to 5s 6d; Adam's Permains, 4s 6d to 6s; Fannies, 5s 6d to 7s; Crow Eggs, 4s to 5s 6d; French Crabs, 4s 6d to 5s per case.

Bananas.—Queensland, 6d to 2s 6d per bunch, 5s per case; Fiji, 6d to 2s 6d per bunch, 6s to 7s per case.

Grapes.—Adelaide: White Crystals, 5s to 7s; Muscats, 7s to 8s per case.

Pines.—Scarce, 8s to 8s 6d per case.

Tomatoes.—Is 6d to 2s 6d, choice 3s to 3s 6d per half-case.

Passionfruit.—Choice 7s, others 2s to 5s per half-case.

Lemons.—Rough, 2s to 2s 6d; good, 3s to 3s 6d; choice coloured, 4s to 5s per gincase; Italian, 8s per case of 150.

Mandarins.—Second crop, small, 5s to 8s; good, 10s to 15s; choice, 16s to 18s per gincase.

Oranges.—Second crop, local, small, to 5s, good 5s to 6s 6d; prime, 7s 6d to 9s per gincase.

Pears.—Cooking, inferior, 2s 6d, good 3s, prime 3s 6d to 4s; dessert, rough, 3s to 4s, good, 5s to 6s, choice 7s to 10s. Victorian: Dessert, 8s to 9s; special brands, 11s to 12s; Tasmanian: Gansell Bergamot, 6s to 8s; Beurre de Capiaumont, 5s to 7s; Beurre Bosc, 5s to 6s 6d; Orange Bergamot, 6s to 7s per half-case.

Plums.—Tasmanian, Sydney lates, 3s to 4s 6d per quarter-case.

Persimmons.—Small to 1s, good 2s 6d, choice 3s to 3s 6d per half-case.

Quinces.—4s to 5s per gincase.

Pomegranates.—5s to 7s per gincase.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

The offerings at the Homebush sales to-day (Thursday) will be as follows:—

Sheep.—Total, 25,157.
Cattle.—Total, 1181.

CITY YARDS.

At the City Corporation Yards to-day the demand for pigs was again slack, especially for porkers. The total offerings yesterday and to-day numbered about 2000 pigs, all descriptions being represented. As far as prices were concerned, little or no quotable change occurred:—Baconers, best, made 36s to 40s, good and heavy 33s to 35s, light 29s to 31s; porkers, best 21s to 23s, good 17s to 19s, others from 14s; stores, best 12s to 13s, medium, 10s to 11s 6d, others from 7s; backfatters were slow up to 56s each.

The supply of calves forward to-day was far in excess of requirements. Altogether 200 of all varieties were yarded. Competition was slow at a reduction of 3s to 4s per head on prices ruling last week. Yearlings fetched 47s to 78s; good quality vealers, 36s to 46s; medium, 31s; and others, from 15s each.

BARK AND LEATHER SALES.

The Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, John Bridge and Co., Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, and Hill, Clark, and Co., Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Limited, and A. P. Wyly and Co. report:—

Bark.—Supplies were large. There was a fairly representative attendance of buyers present, but the demand was dull, and prices had a lower tendency throughout. Quotations: Best chopped, £7 to £7 5s per ton; exceptional lines to £7 10s; good, £6 to £6 10s; medium and light, £5 to £5 15s; inferior, £2 10s to £4 10s.

Leather.—Sales were held by Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Limited. The catalogue submitted included some choice and light dressings of tweeds, split yearlings, and calf tweeds, as also light finished kips and split yearlings, and for such goods there was firm competition, resulting in full values being forthcoming, while the heavier grades received their measure of support. For splits of good substance and finish, prices secured represent top values, while the lower grades were in weaker demand. The firm inquiry for basils lately reported is still in evidence, and all offerings find ready buyers at strong values. Sole leather of best quality, while not in large supply, shows no improvement on late rates. The common and damaged sorts, however, received good attention, and sold at an improved range of values. Superior lines of harness leather, including bridle and bag, continue in fair request, while the heavier and commoner sorts are in easier demand. Calf tweed, best 20d to 22d per lb., medium 18d to 19d; cow tweed, best 16d to 17d, medium 14½d to 15½d; yearling tweed, best 17½d to 19½d, medium 15d to 17d; split yearling tweed, best 17½d to 19½d, medium and heavy 15d to 16d; waxed calf, super 20½d to 22½d, medium and fair 18d to 20d; kip, superior 12½d to 13½d, medium 12d to 12½d, heavy and inferior 10d to 11½d; waxed yearling, best 17d to 20d, heavy and common 14d to 16d; dressed splits, superior 9½d to 10½d, medium 8d to 9d; sole, heavy 10d to 11d, medium 9½d to 9½d, faulty and damaged 7½ to 8½d; shoulders, 7½d to 8d; bellies, 6½d to 7½d; waxed kangaroo, 18d to 20d; splits, rough butts 4½d to 5½d; shoulders, 2d to 3d; basils, first shoe 11s to 12s 6d per dozen, second shoe 7s 6d to 9s, third shoe 4s 6d to 7s 3d, saddlers' 15s to 19s, greasy 9s to 12s; bridle, 10s to 12s per side; bag, 9s to 11s 6d; harness, best heavy brown, 12½d to 13d per lb., medium heavy brown 11½d to 12d, heavy black 12½d to 13d, medium 11d to 12d.

GOULBURN STOCK SALES.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The stock sales to-day were very largely attended. The fat cattle market showed a decline. Store cattle were about the same as last week. There was a strong demand for good sheep; others were easier. Between 500 and 600 cattle were yarded, a few being fats. Most of the bullocks were passed. Fat cows sold £4 to £4 15s; a few extra prime over £5. Store bullocks, 4 to 5 years old, realised £4 to £4 10s; cows, £2 2s to £2 12s for forward condition; two-year-old steers, £2 10s to £2 15s; two to three year old heifers, £2 to £2 17s 6d; poddies to 31s. Between 5000 and 6000 sheep were penned. Some extra prime crossbreds realised 31s; a few crossbred lambs to 20s; fat crossbred wethers, 13s; others from 10s; aged store ewes, 7s 21 to 8s; five to six year old ewes in lamb, 9s 7d; store wethers, 9s 6d to 11s; best crossbred lambs to 9s 8d; others from 8s; merino hoggets, 8s 7d to 9s.

MELBOURNE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the live stock market to-day, 1900 fat cattle were yarded, comprising 50 from New South Wales, 350 from north-eastern district, 850 from Gippsland, the remainder chiefly from westward, consisting chiefly of fairly useful quality, light and moderate weights, with a sprinkling of prime and heavy weights. The supply included about 280 cows. In the early part of the market the demand was brisk, when prices improved fully 10s to 15s per head. Prime pens bullocks, £10 5s to £12 5s 6d; with extra pen, £13; good ditto ditto, £8 15s to £9 15s; middling ditto ditto, £7 10s to £8 10s; inferior and small light weights from £6. Best pens cows, £6 15s to £7 10s; others from £5. 150 fat calves were penned. Sales were brisk throughout at highly satisfactory figures. Prime calves sold 55s to 63s; second, 40s to 50s; inferior and small from 27s; with a few prime steers and heifers, £4 15s to £5 15s.

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MINING INTELLIGENCE.

A smaller extent of business than on Tuesday was done in the Mining market yesterday. Coal companies were without exchange, but Stockton closed at an improvement. Copper ventures were quiet, Chillagoe Railway and Mines alone having attention, sales being made at receding rates. Broken Hill silver lines were rather less buoyant, British Broken at lower prices being the only stock that had dealings. In the local gold section Peak Hill Proprietary found purchasers for contributing shares at a further advance, whilst Araluen Proprietary, Colombo Dredging, and Macquarie No. 2 were stronger at the end of the day. Victorians were neglected. North Oriental and Glanmire changed hands at a firm figure, whilst Victoria G.M. Association sold at rising prices. Others were quiet. There was a further improvement in the market for Western Australian stocks, due to firmness in London, where it was reported that dealers were "covering." Great Boulder Proprietary closed the turn easier, but nearly all others at the end of the day were quoted above Tuesday's rates.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.		
Bellambi	9/	12/
Hetton	22 6	—
Newcastle	10 10	—
Stockton	5 4	5 11
Wallsend	23 10	25 10/
Wickham and Bullock Island	12/3	12/9
Ditto, new	6/	—
Ditto, preferential, £1 pd	25 6	—
COPPER.		
Chillagoe	—	38/
Cobar Chesney, paid	2 7	—
Dottswood Freehold	—	10/
Ditto, con	—	4
Girilambone	1/3	1/6
Great Cobar	77/6	—
Lake George Mines	6/	—
Mt. Garnet Freehold	—	58/
New Mount Hope	5/9	6 8
North Nymagee	—	1/
SILVER. New South Wales.		
British Broken Hill, old	26/	27/
Broken Hill Proprietary	—	47 6
Block 10	6/12/	6 16 6
B. H. Junction	16/	—
Junction Nth.	16/	16/9
North Central	11d	1 1
B.H. South, paid	40/	—
Overflow, paid	—	1/
GOLD. New South Wales.		
Baker's Creek	—	7/
Baker's Creek Consols	2/3	3 6
Falkner	1 4	—
Grassy Gully, con.	3 6	—
Mt. David, pd.	2/	2/3
Mt. Drysdale	15/	—
Occidental	—	9/
Peak Hill	7/	8 6
Ditto, con.	6/	—
Sunlight	1 6	3/
Woodlark Island, paid	—	17/
Young Australian	1	—
DREDGING AND SLUICING COMPANIES.		
Araluen Proprietary	20 6	22/
Araluen Valley Consolidated	15/	16/
Clarence River, con.	—	10/
Colombo, con.	5/	7/
Federal Centrifugal	—	7/6
Jennings	2 6	—
Jerrickmorra, paid	—	5/
Little River Dredging, con.	—	4 6
Macquarie No. 1	—	11/
Ditto, con.	—	10/
Macquarie No. 2	7/6	8/
Ditto, con.	6 3	—
Shoalhaven River, con.	4/6	—
Shoalhaven Terraces, pd.	7/	8/3
Turon River	25/	—
VICTORIA.		
South Star	4/	—
QUEENSLAND.		
Brilliant	8 6	—
Brilliant St. George, pd.	59/	—
Mt. Morgan	5/0/	5 2 6
Nth. Oriental and Glanmire	9/	9/4½
No. 2 North Oriental and Glanmire	—	5/
No. 6 North Phœnix	10d	1/3
No. 2 North Victory	4/6	—
Smithfield and P. Golden Pile	—	12 6
South Great Eastern No. 1	—	1/6
Ditto No. 2	59/	62/
Victoria G.M. Association	2/9	3
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.		
Associated	5 6 6	5 7/
Boulder Half-mile South	9 6	10/
Brown Hill Central	3 6	4/
Gt. Boulder	32 10½	33/
Ditto Main Reef	34 9	—
Gt. Boulder Perseverance	12 10/	12 15
Hannan's Brownhill	6 9	7/3
Hannan's Central Extended	1 3	—
Hannan's Oroya	57	—
Hannan's Pride of the Valley, paid	9d	—
Imperial Boulder	3 5	4/
Ivanhoe Junction	13 1½	—
Ivanhoe and Boulder Junction Proprietary	—	5½d
Kalgurli, London register	7/15/	7/17 6
Kalgurli South, London register	6 3 3	6 3 9
Paringa Consolidated	8 9	9 2
Queensland Menzies, pd.	5 10	6 3
Queen Margaret	14/	—
Queen Margaret South	2 1	—
Queen Margaret No. 1 South	10d	11d

The following sales were reported:—Overnight—Gold: Kalgurli Gold Mines, £7 16s; Queen Margaret, £13 10d. Morning—Gold: Associated Gold Mines, £5 6s, £5 6s 3d; Great Boulder Perseverance, £12 9s; Great Boulder Proprietary, 33s; Hannan's Eureka, 8d; Hannan's Oroya, 57s; Kalgurli South, £6 3s; Paringa Consolidated, 9s. Noon—Copper: Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 32s 6d, 32s, 31s 9d, 31s 6d. Silver: British Broken, 26s 9d; ditto, new, 25s. Gold: Peak Hill Proprietary, contributing, 7s; North Oriental and Glanmire, 9s 3d; Victoria G. M. Association, 2s 9d, 2s 10d. Crœsus Proprietary, 2s 4d; Great Boulder Proprietary, 33s 3d, 33s, 33s 1½d; Hannan's Oroya, 58s 3d; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, £14 5s; Kalgurli Gold Mines, London register, £7 15s; Kalgurli South, colonial register, £5 18s. Afternoon—Gold: Associated Gold Mines, £5 6s 9d; Great Boulder Proprietary, 33s; Kalgurli, London register, £7 15s; Queensland Menzies, paid up, 6s.

After the last meeting of the Exchange the following sales were reported:—Gold: Araluen Proprietary, 20s 9d; Peak Hill, contributing, 7s; No. 2 North Victory, 4s 9d; Associated Gold Mines, £5 7s 6d, £5 7s; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, £14 5s; Kalgurli South, London register, £6 4s; Paringa Consolidated, 9s 3d.

The Mount Bischoff Company's London cable received yesterday quoted tin at £137 10s; the last one was £139. Market quiet.

Mr. C. L. Garland, chairman of the Braidwood (Shoalhaven River) Proprietary Gold-dredging Company, N.L., reports having visited the ground during the holidays and having treated a bulk parcel of wash which showed very satisfactory results. The pontoon is rapidly approaching completion, and it is anticipated that it will be launched in the course of about five weeks. Good progress is being made with the machinery at Mort's Dock.

Last week the shaft on the New Royal Standard G.M. Company, Stewart's Brook, had reached 405ft. The country was sandstone, giving out a little more water than usual.

On the 21st instant the mine manager of the Ballarat of New South Wales G.M. Company, N.L., Orange, reported as follows:—Driven 9ft. for the fortnight. Total driven by contractor, 29ft. Ground shoots better, indicating a decided change.

The crushing and cyanide returns from the Great Boulder Proprietary, Kalgoorlie, for the past month were as follows:—Milled 3448 tons of ore for 3946oz. gold, cyanided 6406 tons for 3789oz.

Under date the 21st instant, the mine manager of the Falkner's Gold-mining Company, Limited, Pambula, reported as follows:—The north shaft on the Gahan lode is down 15ft.; lode material slightly improving in appearance. No. 9 shaft, drive south, is 10ft.; no change.

At the North Central Broken Hill S. M. Company last week the rise from the back of the 550ft. drive was risen 4ft. It is being carried on the indicator, which is composed chiefly of calcite and muddic, with a little galena showing. At present the seam is 18in. wide. The eastern crosscut at the 300ft. level has reached 156½ft. from the north drive, without change. The north drive at the 300ft. level has been advanced to 93½ft. from the crosscut. The drive is becoming somewhat harder, but is still carrying calcite and muddic.

The manager of the Girilambone Copper-mining Company reports that on the 21st instant the winze at the 360ft. level had reached a depth of 67½ft., the bottom just touching the lode again, several small stains of yellow ore showing. The bulk of the lode, however, is overhead and eastward. The 440ft. level: Crosscut east had reached 61½ft. from the main shaft. Water is coming in freely all over the face of the drive, with quartz veins and iron pyrites crossing the slate in all directions.

Reporting on the 25th instant the mine manager of the Great Australian Quicksilver mines, Yulgilbar, reports that the contractors have sunk the new shaft 8ft. for the week, rich cinnabar being distributed throughout the whole width of the shaft. The three leases have been amalgamated, and the company now has a number of men employed.

At the Avoca Reefs G. M. Co., N.L., Parkes, last week, the main shaft had reached a total depth of 473½ft. In the 200ft. level the reef was 7ft. wide, heavily charged with mineral, and showing payable gold. At the 120ft. level the reef was 4ft. wide, showing good gold. Hauled 30 tons of quartz, making 200 tons at grass. In connection with the battery, the settling vats had been completed, and other surface work was well advanced.

During the fortnight ended the 14th instant No. 3 level of the Victory (Charters Towers) Gold-mining Company reached a total of 155ft., the reef being 3in., quality poor. Stoping over this level on 3in. to 10in. of fair stone. From No. 4 level the reef is going east 10in., and west 14in.; good mineral stone. Stopes over No. 5 level, 10in., fair; over No. 6 level, 9in., medium; over No. 8 level, 12in., good; over No. 9 level, 3in. to 10in., medium; under this level, 6in. to 14in., medium. Raised 100 tons. No. 4 shaft: Underlie started and sunk 16ft., reef in bottom 12in. on east side and 6in. west; formation 6ft. in width. Country here looks favourable for payable reef.

The stopes at the lowest No. 12 workings of the Victoria G.M. Association (Charters Towers) are yielding fairly good quality stone from a reef varying in thickness from 10in. to 1ft. At No. 10 level workings the reef averages about 10in. thick of a medium quality. At No. 6 level workings near the Victory boundary the reef is 10in. thick, good quality stone. Over No. 1 B level the reef is from 6in. to 1ft. thick, good quality stone. The stone at No. 1 A level is bunchy, carrying fairly good mineral stone in places.

It is expected that the No. 1 South O'Donohue and New Zealand Company will this week complete the work of baling out the No. 1 North Phœnix Crown shaft, preliminary to continuing driving for the Crown reef.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—No. 5 North Phœnix, 4s 9d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 33s (three sales).

BENDIGO, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Byron Reef, 3s 6d; Columbian Reef, 1s 7½d, 2s, 1s 11½d; Eureka and Vineyard, 1s 6d; Extended South Devonshire, 7d; Fenteman's Proprietary, 5s 7½d; North Old Chum, 1s, 1s 2d; Suffolk United Tribute, 9s 6d; Spring Gully Function, 12s 6d; Waswo, 1s 2½d, 1s 1d, 1s 1½d.

BALLARAT, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—All Nations, 2s; Band and L. United, 11d; Berry Consols Extended, 20s 3d; Berry United, 6d; British Banner, 6s; Burnt Creek, 2s 9d; Glenfine Estate, 8s 6d; Glenfine Consols, 17s; Glenfine Consols Extended, 2s 8d; Hepburn Estate, 3s 10d; Kangaroo, 3s 5d; Long Thought Of, 9d; Main Leads, 13s 3d, 12s 9d; ditto North, 2s, 1s 11d; Queen of the Plains, 11d; South Star Extended, 8½d, 9d; Star of the East, 2s 9d; Victorian Mint, 9d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Lady Florence, 34; Queen Cross Reef, 3s 6d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, contributing, 5s 4d, 5s 10d.

The Brilliant Central Company has crushed 275 tons of stone for 403oz. of gold.

GYMPIE, Wednesday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports the following sales:—Columbia and Smithfield, 3s 4d, 3s 6d; Great Eastern No. 1 North, 1s 2d; Oriental and Columbia Consolidated, contributing, 1s 1d; Victory No. 2 North, 4s 9d, 5s, 4s 9½d.

To-night's quotations:—Columbia Extended, contributing, seller 2s 6d, buyer 2s 3½d; Columbia Consolidated, contributing, seller 4s 9d, buyer 3s 9d; South Glanmire and Monkland, seller 22s 3d, buyer 21s 8d; Gympie Gold Mines No. 1 South, seller 6s 3d, buyer 5s 9d; Great Eastern No. 2 South, seller 63s, buyer 57s; Oriental and Glanmire No. 1 North, seller 16s, buyer 13s 6d.

The North Smithfield Company has crushed 294 tons of stone for a yield of 264oz. gold.

HOBART, Wednesday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—B.H. Proprietary, buyer 47s 6d, seller 49s 6d; Hercules, buyer 13s, seller 14s 6d; Mount Black, sales 1s 9d; Lyell Tharsis, seller 22s; Great Lyell South, buyer 1s 6d, seller 1s 10d; Mount Bischoff, buyer £46 10s.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales and quotations were:—Sales: New Pinafore, 2s 6d; Western Tharsis, 1s 4d, 1s 5d; Moonlight-cum-Wonder, 10d; Garibaldi, 7d.

Quotations: New Monarch, buyer 2s 1d, seller 2s 2d; Tasmania, buyer £5 17s, seller £5 19s; White Pinafore, buyer 1s 6½d, seller 1s 7d; Colonel North, buyer 1s 5d; Western Silver, buyer 10s 3d, seller 10s 9d; North Farrell, buyer 4s 1d, seller 5s; Mount Lyell, buyer £9 10s, seller £10 4s; North ditto, buyer 70s, seller 75s; Great South Lyell, buyer 1s 5d; Primrose, buyer 1s 11d, seller 3s; Tasmanian copper, buyer 7s 1d; Mount Bischoff, buyer £46 15s, seller £47 12s 6d.

LITHGOW, Wednesday.

At Wattle Flat the last crushing from the Solitary No. 1 shaft resulted in 107oz. of gold from about 100 tons of stone, while 8 tons from No. 2 shaft yielded 1oz. 14dwt. gold per ton. Some good specimens have been obtained during the past few weeks from the Great Oakey mine. One small dishful was said to be worth about £40. Several parties are again getting a little gold on Surface Hill. Crawford and party are erecting their battery, and expect to be crushing in about a month.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Among mining companies to-day's sales were:—B. H. Block 10, £6 15s; B. H. Proprietary, 47s 5d; B. H. Junction, 17s 6d, 17s 9d; North Junction, 16s 3d; North Broken, 18s 9d, 18s 6d; Sulphide Corporation, 22s, 22s 4½d; Mount Lyell, £9 10s, £9 9s; Mount Lyell Blocks, 9s 6d, 9s 3d, 9s 4d; North Mount Lyell, 71s; Ben Lomond Tungsten, 5s 3d; Colonel North, 1s 5½d, 1s 6d; Comet, 4½d, 5½d; Glen Lyell, 6d; Great Lyell South, 1s 7d; Great Southern Mount Lyell, 8d, 8½d; Lyell Tharsis, 25s 6d, 19s 4½d; Mt. Lyell Reserve, 2s; Prince Lyell, 6d; Rocky River, paid, 2s; Royal Tharsis, 2s 11d, 2s 6d; South Tharsis, 5s 6d, 4s 9d; Tasman and Crown Lyell Extended, paid, 11½d; Western Tharsis, paid, 2s 5d, 2s 4d; Brothers' Home No. 1, 5s 9d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 32s 6d, 31s 3d; Queensland Mining and Investment, 3s; Central Mount Deddick, 6d; Copper Top, 3s 1d; Mount Deddick United, 5d; Associated Gold Mines, £5 8s, £5 7s; Boulder Half-mile South, 9s 6d; Great Boulder, 33s 3d; Tindals, 8d; Argyle, 3s 4d, 3s 2d; Band and Loch United, 1s; Beehive and German, Consolidated, 8s 1d; Black Horse United, 17s 6d; Burnt Creek, 2s 9d; Casula, 17s 6d; Chalk's No. 3, 3s; Duke United, 7s 6d; Excelsior, 5s 6d; Glenfine Consols, 17s; Glenfine South, 99s 6d; Great South Long Tunnel, 3s 6d, 3s 9d; Horn Island, 4s; Long Tunnel Extended, £18; Long Tunnel North, 8s; Maude and Homeward Bound, 8s 6d, 8s 3d; Main Leads, 13s 9d, 13s; Main Leads North, 1s 9d; Prince of Wales and Bonshaw, 11s; Queen of the Plains, 1s; Russell's Reef, 6s 6d; Sea, 4s; Sir John Franklin, 1s 3d; South German Extended, 21s, 21s 3d; South Victor, paid, 2s 5d; Star of the East, 3s; West Berry Consols, 3s.

ROCKLEY, Wednesday.

A trial crushing of 100 tons of stone from the "Little Marvel mine," near the Mount David gold mine, is being put through at the 10-head battery of the Mount David Company. This mine was purchased by H. Butler and party. The Gilmandyke gold mine, on the Bunyamungo station property, commenced crushing at their battery last week. The Mount David Gold-mining Company washed up yesterday after a month's run. The Mining Exploration and Development Company is actively engaged at Sugar Loaf prospecting for copper. The company in 12 months has expended over £7000 in developing this property. Alluvial workings at Sewell's Creek, Gilmandyke, and Campbell's River are being thoroughly tested. Numbers of miners are making good wages at different centres.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales and quotations were:—B.H. Proprietary, 47s, 46s 9d, buyer 46s 6d, seller 46s 9d; B.H. Block 14, buyer 27s 6d, seller 28s 6d; British Blocks, buyer 26s 3d, seller 26s 9d; ditto new, 25s 3d, buyer 25s, seller 25s 6d; B.H. Junction, 17s 6d, 17s 9d, buyer 17s 9d, seller 18s; Junction North, buyer 16s 6d, seller 16s 7½d; B.H. South, buyer 40s 9d, seller 41s 6d; ditto, contributing, 40s, seller 40s 6d; North Broken, 18s 3d, buyer 18s, seller 18s 6d; North Central, 1s 0½d, 1s 1d, buyer 1s, seller 1s 1d; Baker's Creek, seller 3s 6d; Associated Gold Mines, £5 7s, £5 6s, buyer £5 5s 9d, seller £5 6s 3d; ditto, Northern Block, 45s, 47s 6d, 47s 3d, buyer 47s, seller 47s 6d; Bayley's United, 8s 4d, buyer 8s 3d, seller 8s 5d; Hannan's Ben Lomond, 1s 2d, buyer 1s 2d, seller 1s 4d; Hannan's Block 45, 7s, 6s 11d, buyer 6s 9d, seller 6s 11d; Boulder Central, buyer 4s, seller 5s, ditto, contributing, 1s 11d, 1s 9d, buyer 1s 9d, seller 1s 10d; Boulder Consols No. 1, 1s 6d, buyer 1s 5d, seller 1s 7d; Boulder Half-mile South, buyer 9s 5d, seller 9s 8d; Brookman's Boulder, 15s 3d, buyer 15s 1½d, seller 15s 4½d; Boulder North Extended, 2s 6d, 2s 5d, buyer 2s 4d, seller 2s 6d; Brown Hill Junction, 3s 4d, 3s 9d, 3s 8d, buyer 3s 8d, seller 3s 9d; Brown Hill Central, 3s 11d, 4s, 3s 7d, buyer 3s 6d, seller 3s 8d; Crœsus Proprietary, 2s 3d, buyer 2s 3d, seller 2s 4d; Cumberland, contributing, 1s 3d, buyer 1s 2d, seller 1s 4d; Chaffer's, 21s 3d, buyer 21s, seller 21s 9d; Golden Queen, 1s 1½d, 1s 2d, buyer 1s 1½d, seller 1s 3d; Great Boulder, 33s 6d, 33s 3d, buyer 33s 1½d, seller 33s 4½d; Great Boulder Main Reef, 35s, 35s 6d, buyer 35s 6d, seller 36s; Great Boulder Perseverance, £12 12s, £12 15s, buyer £12 10s, seller £12 17s 6d; Hainault, 31s 6d, 34s, 33s, buyer 33s, seller 33s 6d; Hannan's Oroya, 58s, 58s 6d, buyer 58s 3d, seller 58s 9d; Imperial Boulder, 3s 6½d, 3s 7d, buyer 3s 6d, seller 3s 7d; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, £14 5s, £14 8s, buyer £14 7s, seller £14 9s; Ivanhoe Junction, 13s 1½d, 13s 3d, buyer 13s 1½d, seller 13s 4½d; Ironsides North, contributing, 1s 1d; Kalgoorlie Bank of England, seller 12s 3d; Kalgoorlie Mint and Iron King, buyer 9s; Kalgurli Gold Mines, buyer £7 16s, seller £7 18s; Lady Mary, seller 7s; Lake View Consols, buyer £14 15s; Lake View South, 19s, buyer 18s 9d, seller 19s; Mount Benson, 1s 1d; North Boulder, buyer 11s 6d, seller 12s 6d; North Kalgurli, 24s 9d, buyer 24s 9d, seller 25s 3d; Premier, 30s, buyer 29s 6d, seller 30s 6d; Premier South, 2d; Princess Royal, buyer 36s 6d, seller 37s; ditto, contributing, 36s 6d, buyer 36s, seller 36s 6d; ditto North, 1s 10d, buyer 1s 10d, seller 2s; ditto, contributing, 1s 1½d, buyer 1s 1½d, seller 1s 2d; Queen Margaret, 14s 4½d, 14s 6d, buyer 14s 6d, seller 14s 9d; Queen Margaret Central, 2s 5d, 2s 7d, buyer 2s 6d, seller 2s 7d; South Kalgurli, £6 4s, £6 4s 6d, £6 4s, buyer £6 3s 6d, seller £6 4s 3d; Sulphide Corporation, 22s, 22s 3d, buyer 22s 1½d, seller 22s 4½d; Three Colonies, contributing, 4½d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 32s, 31s 6d, buyer 31s 6d, seller 31s 9d.

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DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—

Cornish United, Bendigo, April 23, 9d.
Hanlon Consols, Rokewood, April 24, 6d.
Union, Pitfield Plains, April 25, 6d.
Long Tunnel Extended, Walhalla, April 26, 5s.
Great Northern, Bendigo, April 26, 9d.
New Moon, Bendigo, April 26, 1s.
United Ulster, Bendigo, April 26, 1s.
Victoria Consols, Bendigo, April 26, 6d.
Mount Bischoff, Tasmania, April 28, 17s 6d.
Lake View Consols, Kalgoorlie, May 1, 10s.
Lyell Tharsis, Tasmania, May 28, 1s.
Koh-i-noor G.M. Company, Parkes, May 1, 6d.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Brilliant Central, C.T., 275 tons, 403oz.
Great Boulder Proprietary, Kalgoorlie (month), 7435oz.
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A splendid full-length portrait of Colonel Kenneth Mackay appears in this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

The Bowlers receive attention in the pictorial columns of the "Sydney Mail" this week.—Advt.

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PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

ST. PHILLIP'S, AUBURN.

The Easter vestry meeting was held on Tuesday evening, the Rev. F. C. Williams presiding. The balance-sheet showed a prosperous year, the church debt having been reduced. The attendance at the church was well maintained, and that of the Sunday school increased. The chairman nominated Mr. C. Burt as clergyman's warden, and Messrs. J. Marshall and J. R. H. Gibbons were elected people's wardens, and Messrs. Colley, Webber, Betts, Corbett, Clarke, and Small were elected members of the parochial council.

ALL SAINTS' CONCERT.

A concert in aid of All Saints' parsonage fund was held in the Parramatta Town Hall on Tuesday evening, under the direction of Mr. Arthur Massey, and there was a very large attendance, and items were rendered by Mrs. Arthur Massey, Mrs. R. B. Triedall, Misses Waugh, Relph, and Iris Rego, and Messrs. C. Dalton, J. W. Lees, L. Proudlock, and Laurie Smith.

APPEAL COURT.

An Appeal Court in connection with the assessment of the rateable property within the municipality of Ermington and Rydalmere was held at the Parramatta Courthouse on Wednesday. Seven appeals were on the list, but as they had all been settled by friendly conference all that remained for the Court was to officially confirm the amended values as agreed upon.

POLICE.

At the Parramatta Police Court on Wednesday morning, before Mr. T. E. MacNevin, P.M., and Mr. H. T. Jones, J.P., Russell Gittoes, a lad, on bail, was charged with stealing 12 yards of fishing net, the property of Thomas Lambert, fisherman. Lambert stated that his net had been cut in two and part of it stolen. He did not wish to press the charge, and would take 30s compensation for damage, if the Bench would order it. Accused was discharged on the payment of 30s as compensation. He was afterwards called upon to find a surety in £25 for his future good behaviour. Russell Gittoes and Sydney Macdonald were charged with stealing a cage of birds valued at 7s, the property of G. H. Stokes. The lads were ordered to pay compensation 7s, and Macdonald was called upon to find a surety for his future good behaviour. William Westbrook, charged with cruelly ill-treating a horse by working it with sore shoulders, was fined 20s or seven days' imprisonment.

A social in aid of the parochial debt on Holy Trinity Church, Granville, was held in the Albert Hall on Tuesday evening, and was largely attended. An excellent supper was provided by the ladies of the committee.

The Rev. J. C. Martin, of the Baptist Church, Parramatta, has accepted the pastorate of the Napier Church, New Zealand, and will leave for that place on May 3. The temporary oversight of the Parramatta Church will be taken by the Rev. W. Coller.

Sergeant Nies, who has been appointed to the police district of Parramatta, vice Sergeant Chalmers promoted to Penrith, commenced his court duties on Wednesday, when he was welcomed by Mr. T. E. MacNevin, P.M., on behalf of the Bench, and by Mr. H. A. Richardson on behalf of the legal profession.

CIRCUIT COURTS.

CLAIM UNDER AN ASSURANCE POLICY.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The Circuit Court has been occupied some time in hearing an action brought by the executors of the late Margaret Duand, deceased, against the City Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited, for £300, being a claim in respect to a life policy taken out by Margaret Duand with the company. Mr. Kelynack, instructed by Messrs. Betts and Son, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. B. R. Wise and Mr. Ferguson, instructed by Mr. G. Sanders, of Sydney, appeared for the defendants. The company pleaded that Margaret Duand wilfully withheld and omitted certain information, viz., that she had suffered from bronchitis, and that the policy of life assurance issued by the A.M.P. Society in respect of her life having lapsed, she applied for a reinstatement, which was refused. Several questions were raised—one with respect to the admission of a document which was held to be the declaration of Margaret Duand, who could not write. His Honor said the case ought to be a warning to mutual provident societies not to accept the proposals of marksmen without great care. Certain difficulties had arisen through the absence of the agent who had prepared the declaration. If this document had been rejected the verdict would have gone for the plaintiffs at once. Now that the document had been admitted, was the jury able to form a reasonable presumption that it was genuine? A verdict was given for the plaintiff.

GRAFTON, Wednesday.

At the Circuit Court to-day James Anderson, on a charge of shooting Robert Sloan, with intent to murder, was acquitted, but on a charge of maliciously wounding, with intent to do grievous bodily harm, he was remanded to the next assizes. Bail was allowed.

At the Circuit Court to-day Ellen Davis brought an action against William Newby, sugar mill owner, of Maclean, claiming £1000 damages for alleged negligence on the part of defendant, whereby her son, Ambrose Davis, 16 years of age, was crushed to death in his mill, where he was employed. Messrs. Browning and Ackland appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Gannon for the defendant. His Honor non suited the plaintiff.

INTERCOLONIAL COMMERCIAL.

MELBOURNE DEAD MEAT MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

At the metropolitan dead meat market prices ruled as follows:—Beef, prime bodies, 22s to 25s per 100lb.; medium, 20s to 21s; prime forequarters, 17s to 18s; medium, 16s; prime hindquarters, 27s to 29s; medium, 25s to 26s; lambs, prime, 10s to 11s each; medium, 8s to 9s.

ADELAIDE FAT STOCK SALES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Messrs. Elder, Smith and Co. report:—Cattle: 600 forward, mainly from plain to prime, of which 100 were from the Upper Murray, 140 north of this colony, 65 south-east, and the remainder local. Sales were decidedly brisk throughout, and prices were higher. Shippers secured 40 head. Prime beef realised 28s to 30s. Sheep: 5700 penned, consisting mainly of good qualities. Supply was below requirement, and competition keen at further enhanced rates. Shippers took 500, and 400 were unsold. Prime merino wethers, 18s to 19s; good, 16s to 17s; prime cross-bred wethers, 20s to 21s; good, 19s.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.
RAINE and HORNE.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, Houses and Land.
R. C. V. BROUGHTON.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, City and Suburban Properties.
H. DUFF and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, Civil Service Co-operative Share and Houses and Land.
C. F. W. LLOYD.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Land.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.
DALWOOD and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Drapery Clothing, Showcase, &c.
J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, Blankets, Jewellery, Gold and Silver Watches, &c.
CLARKE and SOLOMONS.—At the Rooms, Walker-street, North Sydney, at 11, Furniture, Springcart, &c.
H. HARRIS and CO.—At their Mart, at 11, Cutlery, Bamboo Blinds, Varnishes, Ironmongery, &c.; on the premises, J. E. Love and Co., Bathurst-street, at 10, Salvage Goods, Groceries, Oilmen's Stores, Teas, &c.
A. TRAVERSI and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Drapery, Clothing, Straw Hats, Jewellery, &c.
BARNARD and CO.—At Mayville, Adelaide-street, Woollahra, at 11, Carpets, Furniture, Pianoforte, Dinner and Tea Services, &c.
H. ISAACS.—At the Mart, at 11, Tools, Door Furniture, Window Fittings, Cameo Cigarettes, &c.
STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At 282 Parramatta-road, Petersham, at 2, Pastry and Confectionery Business, Window Fittings, &c.
J. BROWN and CO.—At 37 Boadway, Glebe, at 2.30, Furniture, Piano, Carpets, &c.
B. LEVY.—At 135 Regent-street, at 2.30, Clothing, Jewellery, &c.
MIDDLETON and CO.—At Hay and George streets, at 2.30, Furniture, &c.
J. CANTY.—At Grose-street, Camperdown, at 10, Furniture, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.
At the Various Stores, at 9.30, Hair, Horns, Bones.
PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At their Stores, Hair, Horns, Bones.
GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO.—At 9.30, Hair, Horns, Bones.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.
W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 10.30 and 11.30, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.
W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Yards, at 11, Cows, &c.; at 2.30, Pigs, &c.; at 3.30, Cattle.
ELLIS and CO.—At their Yards, at 11, Cows, &c.; at 2.30, Vealers, Pigs, &c.

Last night in the Randwick Wesleyan church a concert and social evening in aid of the church funds took place, and was largely attended. The programme of music was arranged by Mrs. H. East, and the entertainment was given by "the girls" of the church.

Funerals.

KNIGHT.—The Relatives and Friends of Mr. and Mrs. HENRY KNIGHT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved DAUGHTER, Florence Nightingale, which will move from their residence, 61 View-street, Annandale, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for Petersham station, and thence to Necropolis. WOOD and COMPANY.

GRADY.—The Relatives and Friends of the late Mrs. ANN GRADY are kindly invited to attend her Funeral, which will move from her late residence, No. 12 Cottenham-street, Glebe, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis. WOOD and COMPANY, Telephone, 726, &c. Undertakers and Embalmers, Sydney, Balmain, Petersham, Leichhardt, &c.

CREBER.—The Friends of Mr. WILLIAM CREBER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly beloved SON, William Charles Joseph; to move from his residence, 110 Macquarie-street South, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-st., and 113 Miller-st., N. Syd. Tel., 875.

CREBER.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. GALLAGHER, of Austral-street, Kogarah, and Mr. and Mrs. R. GALLAGHER, of Denison-street, Waverley, are invited to attend the Funeral of their late NEPHEW, William Creber; to move from 110 Macquarie-street South, at half-past 1, for Rookwood.

CREBER.—The Friends and Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES GALLAGHER, Sen., Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH WILSON, Mr. and Mrs. JOHN SMITH, Jun., are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved GRANDSON and NEPHEW, William Creber; to move from his parents' residence, 110 Macquarie-st. South, 1.30 To-day, for Necropolis.

I.O.O.F., Glebe Lodge No. 9.—The Officers and Members of the above and sister Lodges are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of our late Bro. THOMAS HODGSON; to leave his late residence, Eiger-street, Glebe, THURSDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Balmain Cemetery. By order of the N.G. J. WEBB, Secretary.

GEORGE.—The Friends of Mrs. AUGUSTA GEORGE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, Eugene; to move from her residence, 134 Liverpool-street, city, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for Necropolis. CHAS. KINSELA, Funeral Director, Telephone, 993. 765 George-street, city.

GEORGE.—The Friends of the Misses EMMA, LENA, and LIZZIE GEORGE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER; to move from his late residence, 134 Liverpool-street, city, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for Necropolis. CHAS. KINSELA, George and Oxford streets.

CORBETT.—The Friends of Mr. EDWIN CORBETT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON, Joseph T.; to move from his residence, 60 Flood-street, Leichhardt, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for Necropolis, via Lewisham. F. W. BARTLEY, Undertaker, King-street, Newtown. Tel., 184 N.

I.O.O.F.—The Friends of Bro. E. CORBETT, P.G., of General Jackson Lodge, No. 2, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his eldest SON, Joseph T.; to leave his residence, 60 Flood-street, Leichhardt, at 1.45 p.m., for C. of E. Cemetery, Rookwood. T. S. HAWKINS, Secretary.

GRUNDY.—The Friends of the late Mr. ROBERT GRUNDY, late of Arncliffe, are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from St. George Hospital, Kogarah, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Sutherland Cemetery, by 2.10 p.m. train from Sydney. CHAS. KINSELA, Funeral Director, 165 George-street, city, and Tel., 993 and 6 Kog. Rockdale, opp. station.

JOSEPH.—The Funeral of the late Mr. SOLOMON JOSEPH, of Tamworth, will leave the Mortuary THIS DAY, at 2.25, for Rookwood. L. SAMUELS.

THE Friends of Mrs. M. HODGSON and RICHARD and CHARLES are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved SON and their BROTHER, Thomas James; to move from his mother's residence, 14 Eiger-street, Glebe, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Balmain Cemetery.

THE Friends of ALICE, WILLIAM, and RICHARD HODGSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved UNCLE, Thomas James; to move from his mother's residence, 14 Eiger-street, Glebe, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Balmain Cemetery.

BRIXEY.—The Friends of W. H. BRIXEY, Sen., are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his BROTHER-IN-LAW, Thomas Hodgson; to move from 14 Eiger-street, Glebe, THIS DAY, Thursday, 26th, at 2.45, for Balmain Cemetery.

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